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DELEGATES ARE ON WAY HOME AFTER MEET ON RULES

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 29.—Delegates to the National Collegiate Athletic Association convention here started for their homes today somewhat puzzled as to how they stood on their difference with the Amateur Athletic Union over the case of Charles Paddock, Pacific coast sprinter.

In a resolution adopted by the convention late last night after executive session and considerable other discussions, the N. C. A. A. declared its rights to determine the eligibility of college students to participate in intercollegiate meets anywhere and then in the next paragraph recognized the right of the American Olympic committee to delegate its authority of determining eligibility to anyone it chose.

The coaches and athletic directors here for the conference were agreed that the action had averted a definite break between the two controlling bodies of amateur athletics and indicated that the differences existing were to be ironed out diplomatically.

The resolution followed a suggestion of General Palmer Pierce, of New York, president of the association, that Paddock apply for reinstatement to the A. A. U. and that the whole matter be thrashed out in that way.

The convention closed last night after a number of discussions by prominent coaches and directors on various phases of athletics.

Football coaches of the country remained today for their annual convention which will be featured by a discussion of rules and officials.

Ten Girls Are Missing After Riotous Night

DELEWARE, Ohio, Dec. 29.—Seventy-five girl inmates were under guard of special deputies in the institution' gymnasium and ten others were [illegible] today following a night of riot at the State Girl's Industrial School on the outskirts of Delaware.

Disorder which broke out when inmates of Cottage No. 11 declared two of their companions had been too severely punished for a minor infraction of the rules rapidly spread to Cottages No. 5 and 6.

Scores of windows in the cottages were smashed with stones thrown by the rioting girls and defying school officials within.

Superintendent Chair and talking man of the girls' school, police said. Half a dozen were hurt by flying glass. Furnishings of the cottages were wrecked.

Deputy sheriff's deputies succeeded in driving 75 of the rioters into the gymnasium. They ordered the school officials to start playing dance music in the hope that the girls would forget their wrecking duties. But the rioters paid no attention to the music.

Several [illegible] said girls today [illegible] were [illegible] shooting but that [illegible] still in an [illegible] damaging [illegible] as possible.

The [illegible] gave [illegible] to the [illegible] inmates to their [illegible].

Prosecuting officials [illegible] school were searching [illegible] out of Delaware for the [illegible].

Mrs. [illegible] Elson, superintendent [illegible] school, said he had not [illegible] and that he did [illegible] the girls who [illegible].

The [illegible] Industrial School [illegible] the [illegible] Girls' Industrial School [illegible] Most of those [illegible] girls [illegible] for the [illegible].

THE WEATHER

[illegible] unsettled, probably [illegible] colder in the north.

West Texas: [illegible] partly cloudy [illegible] Panhandle. Cold wave [illegible].

ROSSON TEST TO

PHIL DEEPER

It is reported that the Big Williams [illegible] Rosson will be drilled [illegible] as soon as the [illegible] may be changed.

LEEDS BRINGS HIS PRINCESS HOME.

William B Leeds Princess Xenia & Prince Dimitri

Tired of life in Europe, William B. Leeds, son of the former "Tin Plate King," whose mother afterward became Princess Anastasia, of Greece, has returned to America with his wife, who was Princess Xenia descendant from the Russian royalty. They were accompanied by Prince Dimitri, a Russian refugee.

HEAD OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON FOR THE STATE UNIVERSITY

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 29.—Dr. J. A. Udden, head of the economic geology division of the Bureau of Economic Geology and Technology at the University of Texas, has gone to Washington, D. C., to attend a meeting of the Geological Society of America. He will read a paper before the society on a deposit of a laminated formation he has discovered in Culberson county. He believe sthat this deposit will give an important clue to the measuring of geologic time in units of years.

While in Washington, Dr. Udden will report on the study of sedimentation to the National Research Council. He is a member of one of the committees of this organization.

Dr. Udden will also address the Association of State Geologists at one of their meetings. He was specially invited by Wilber A. Nelson, secretary of the Association of State Geologists, to speak before that body.

NEW YEAR TO BE USHERED IN BY COLD WAVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Winter will arrive in earnest next week. The new year will be ushered in by a cold snap which will extend from coast to coast, and bring freezing temperatures as far south as Florida by Tuesday night, the Weather Bureau forecast.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

NEW YORK.—Sailor Friedman, Chicago lightweight, won a 10-round decision from Johnny Clinton, New York. Johnny Curtin, New Jersey bantamweight, won a 10-round decision from Frankie Jerome, New York.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Billy Misko, well known heavyweight boxer, is critically ill with brights disease and is not expected to recover.

MILWAUKEE.—Joe Burman, Chicago bantamweight, was outpointed by Ernie Gooseman, Milwaukee, in ten rounds.

SCRANTON, Pa.—Lew Tendler, Philadelphia lightweight, won a ten round decision from Pep O'Brien, of Scranton.

PARIS.—Mascart, Paris featherweight, was declared European champion by the International Federation, succeeding Eugen Criqui, who retired.

NEW ORLEANS.—Young Marullo, local boxer, knocked out Steve Chuyaski, Milwaukee, in the first round of a scheduled 15-round bout at the Tulane A. C. here last night.

ATLANTA.—Sailor Darden, negro middleweight of Boston, was outpointed by Tiger Flowers, Atlanta negro.

Bruce Puntoy is now planning to enter Southern Methodist University for the remainder of the college session. He has been with the Humphreys Oil Company for almost two years, during which time he has formed many fine friendships in this community. Just prior to the holidays he resigned his position, going to his home in Arkansas for the Christmas period, and will report from there to the big institution at Dallas. The best wishes of many attend this young man in the pursuance of life's ambitions to a worthy goal.

Miss Ora Phillips left Saturday at noon to return to her school duties at Hagnesville, Louisiana. Her father, J. F. Phillips accompanied her as far as Dallas.

What' better to beautify the home than fine paintings. See "On the Scent" painted by J. Evans, Houston, in window at John R. Corley.

Rickard Calls Off Card For January Third

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Denied a license to stage wrestling in Madison Spare Gadren, Tex Rickard has called off arrangements he made for a wrestling card on Jan. 3, and will make no further efforts to mix in the grappling game.

Rickard would not comment today on the surprising action of the Boxing Commission. The commission based its action, it is understood, on the belief taat there is not enough good material to keep Jack Curley's licensed club going.

Reports in political circles that efforts were being made to "get" Rickard were made very significant by the refusal of the commission to allow the Madison Square Garden promoter to extend his field.

Complaint was made last summer that Rickard had obtained a monopoly by securing control of Madison Square Garden, the New York Velodrome and the Polo Grounds and by blocking attemps to use the big armories here for boxing.

More than half of the working newspapermen in New York are now barred out of the Garden press box by the ruling of the commission that seats near the judges on two sides of the ring can not be occupied. This action has been interpreted in some political circles as being an attempt to get Rickard "in bad" with the newspapers as well as to retaliate for the criticisms of the commission by most of the boxing writers.

ODE TO THE PARTING YEAR

By OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

Thou lisp'ring breath of departing year
How thy dogmas brood meditation?
Of days sunshine, of gladsome cheer,
Of somber nights' sad gloom or fear
In life's sweet song or lamentation.

Thou silent consort of Father Time!
Muted mocker of man's woe or weal!
Fair beauty's scenes or love sublime
Nor broken plights or damning crime
Thy joy or pity shall never feel.

Gay Guller! how long will you beguile
Grim sepulchre's hallucination?
For should we know that all the while
In somber night you changed your style
In pursuance of your destination?

The whole world repines at your demise
Immortal Keeper of life's dim scroll.
Of sainted heroes, of good and wise,
Of human sorrows or plebians cries
Unheeding thou to sheer fate of soul.

Yet when you've passed our thoughts are turned
To memory's vault in deep contrition;
To heights achieved, to lessons learned,
In that brief space the fires that's burned
Upon the altar of our ambition.

Still thou alone untouched, unmoved,
To devious trends of destiny;
To and fro thru Time's Hall you've roved
Thy legions on its walls have groved
Vigil's record of eternity.

JAPAN'S CABINET QUITS TWICE IN 48 HOURS

TOKIO, Dec. 29.—The Japanese cabinet resigned for the second time within forty-eight hours, as the result of humiliation following the attempted assassination of the prince regent. The resignation was refused by the prince yesterday.

A BARGAIN AT THAT

The bonus bill is back in Congress. Capital, fearing to be taxed, tells you with tears in its eyes, "It will cost 70 millions of dollars next year if you give the soldiers their bonus."

Another year of war would have cost 50,000 million dollars. The men that went across, lost their jobs and watched the prosperous people profiteering, prevented that.—Arthur Bisbane.

THANK PROHIBITION

The great improvement in business which followed the war was very largely the result of the influence of prohibition and the salvage of our former waste of 2 billion dollars or more each year due to liquor traffic. I know of no other way to account for the great impetus in home building, the tremendous numbers of new automobiles purchased, the larger volume of department store sales, accompanied at the same time by a continued swelling of savings bank deposits, when the tendency of business as a whole should normally have been downward.—Roger W. Babson.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. W. B. Andrews will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

This is the last Sunday of the year. If it were your last Sunday on earth, what would you do?

Settle your account with God.

Gas Explosion Causes Injury To Four Men

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 29.—Four men were injured when a gas well brought in at Alma, about ten miles north of here late Friday afternoon, exploded last night.

A. L. Olinger.
Bert Bell.
Jim Hill.
Alonzo M. Thiebedeau, a driller of Fort Smith, sustained serious burns and probable internal injures.

The well burst into flames and a column of fire rushing through a five-inch casing shot 700 feet into the air, lighting the country for twenty miles around. The well is said to be a 20,000,000 feet producer. It is still blazing.

Bootleggers Work In Mysterious Ways

PORT ARTHUR, Txas, Dec. 29.—Bootleggers work in mysterious ways their duties to perform.

Hotly pursued by police after they had caught him making a sale, a negro bootlegger hired a negro to pull a fire alarm box, hoping to detract the attention of the pro agent. They left the fire to the firemen however, but in spite of this the man escaped.

Police believe they are on the trail of the black who pulled the alarm, they say he got $5 for the job.

FRED HOFSTETTER DIED IN SAN ANTONIO

Mr. Fred Hofstetter of San Antonio died at his home Friday night at 8:30 and was buried in San Antonio Saturda afternoon. Deceased married a daughter of Mrs. Dick Ward of our city, and had many friends here who will regret to learn of his untimely death which was due to heart trouble of long standing.

O. Thompson left Saturday for Dallas.

Noted British Publisher Is Touring America.

Lord Beaverbrook

The Right Honorable Lord Beaverbrook, owner and publisher of a large number of the most influential dailies in Great Britain, has arrived in New York for another tour of America.

BOLL WEEVIL IS WORST PEST OF ALL

CINCINNATI, Dec. 29.—Science's part in exterminating the boll weevil was outlined by Dr. N. E. McIndoo before the Entomological Society of America, meeting here. He declared that the boll weevil is costing the world more than any other insect. He declared the weevil had sense of smell and was attracted to the cotton plant by gas believed to be given off by the plant, and is guided to the plant by the odor, he believed.

Texas Is Among The Prosperous States of Union

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 29.—From information received at State headquarters here of the Texas State Manufacturers Association, it can be be stated that the year about to close has been most successful and satisfactory to the Manufacturing Interests of the State as a whole. In commenting on the industrial growth of Texas and its future industrial possibilities, G. M. Knoble, Executive Vice-President and Manager of the Texas State Manufacturers Association stated: "Never in the history of Texas has there been so much development and expansion along industrial lines. New Manufacutring plants representing the investments of hundreds of millions of dollars, have been, and are under construction in all sections of our great State. Many of the established industries have made large improvements and others are planning vast improements during 1924." Commenting further on the future industrial development of the State, Mr. Knebel said: "What we need most at this particular time is to sell Texas to our home people; for the eyes of the whole country are turning towards Texas and its unlimited possibilities. We are one of the most propesrous states in the Union, and the most prosperous in the entire South. As the largest state in the Union we have a land area of 262,398 square miles. In 1900 our population was 3,048,710 and in 1920 it was 4,663,228 thus giving us 5th place as to population. In 1900 the value of our Texas manufactured products was $92,894,433 and in 1920 it was $99,996,000. In 1900 we produced 836,039 barrels of petroleum, and in 1920 we produced 96,000,000 barrels, and during 1922 we produced 116,670,000 barrels. The total value of the farm crops of Texas in 1900 was '166,965,000 and in 1920 it was $1,671,527,000. Our cotton crop in 1900 amounted to 2.186 000 bales and in 1920 it was 4,345,000 bales, and in the year just coming to a close Texas produced over four million bales of cotton, or a total of about 43 per cent of the entire cotton production of the United States. In 1900 our Bank deposis amounted to $52,683,742 and in 1920 they reached the vast sum of $803,211,000.

In 1900 our common school expenditures were $4,465,200 and in 1920 they were $31,876,000. In 1900 our assessed property value was $914,-007,634 and in 1920 it was $3,390,-000,000. In 1900 our railroad milage was 9,992 and in 1920 it was 16,168 miles. We have a coast line of nearly 500 miles where ships call and carry our products to the ports of the world. With all of this most wonderful growth, we must say that the surface of the State has barely been scratched. Texas invites a most interesting field to men of vision and capital."

Revolution Is Said To Be Brewing There

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Flagship Rodiester of the "Special Service" squadron, was ordered to the coast of Honduras, where the political situation has created danger of a revolution, the State Department announced. The warship will protect American interests. The Honduras minister said his government denied reports that Honduras troops had invaded Nicaraugua.

MYSTERY OF THE SKIES REMAINS COMPLETE

By WEBB MILLER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Dec. 29.—France's mystery of the skies remained complete today.

At 9:40 a. m., the Ministry of Marine said:

"No additional information has been received regarding the fate of the dirigible Dixmude. There is no confirmation of reports that additional bodies of the crew have been found. The only body recovered is that of the commander."

The huge dirigible, turned over to France by Germany at the armistice ending the World War, has been missing since late Saturday.

All France continued in the wildest speculation of what may have happened aboard the giant dirigible, which set off on her fateful voyage eleven days ago. The ship was under command of Captain Du Plexis De Grenada with fifty men aboard, crew and passengers.

The body of the commander was picked up yesterday off the Northern coast of Sicily, more than 200 miles east and north of where the dirigible was last sighted.

Attention was directed today to an article which the commander printed in 1920, in the Technical Review l'Acronautique just after he had piloted the big ship from Germany to France.

The captain pointed out that time certain dangers in the construction of the Dixmude, then the German L-72, and said:

"Talk of a voyage of 15,000 kilometers with passengers to America is foolish.

"The Dixmude was not built for such a cruise. It is far from being a perfect model of a giant aerial cruiser. It needs much greater resistance, endurance and solidity.

"The Dixmude was built for war service in raids only. She was not intended for long intensive use."

TOULON, France, Dec. 29.—A grim old Frenchman is standing guard at the little home where the widow of Captain De Grenada, commander of the Dixmude, whose body was found in the sea, awaits the birth of a child. The widow has not been told of her husband's death. The father of the commander stands guard against the hordes of curious, while the expectant mother, ignorant of her husband's fate, knits baby's clothes. This flight was to have been his son's last, according to the father, who said De Grenada was to have been promoted to more important work.

DELEWARE, Ohio, Dec. 29—Four of the ten girls, inmates, who escaped in an all night riot at the Girls' Industrial School, were captured, officials of the institution announced. Seventy five girls imprisoned in the school gymnasium are still in a frenzy after twenty four hours of milling around, destroying windows and furniture. Sheriffs deputies on guard at the gymnasium were kept busy dodging missels hurled at them by the girls.

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Peggy Chappelle, 22, was killed instantly, and Lucille King, 19, died this morning as the result of an automobile crash last night. Two men companions, Robert McGrory and D. L. O'Connor, were injured. The automobile crashed under the wheels of a switch engine on a grade crossing. The locomotive was standing still. Two weeks ago Mrs. Chappelle attempted suicide because her pal, Irene Irwin, ended her life by drinking poison.

Not every person that really appreciates oil paintings, those who appreciate it will enjoy seeing "On the Scent" in window at John R. Corley.

Hughes Favors Legion Memorial Building For Mexia And Suggests Meeting On Subject January 10

The following open letter has been received by the News from J. K. Hughes of this city in regard to the proposal made by J. Desenberg to build a war memorial building and city auditorium in this city:

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 29, 1923.

Mexia Daily News,
Mexia, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I have read with interest the interview of Mr. J. Desenberg published in the December 18th issue of your paper wherein Mr. Desenberg suggests that we join hands with the Nowlin Post of the American Legion and build a Veterans Memorial Building in Mexia.

I am very interested in the American Legion and the work that it is doing in the city and I feel that the American Legion is an organization that every citizen of the community can lend his support and be assured that the organization will be a great factor in the civic uplift of our city and will be a strong medium for the teaching of Americanism among our citizens. I would like to see the American Legion have a home all its own and would like to see this home be such a home that it can be used as a public auditorium and be a place that the citizens of Mexia might gather and be large enough to accommodate a large number of persons. Mexia needs a public auditorium and having one would be a great asset to her.

I agree with Mr. Desenberg that this matter should receive immediate attention and I suggest that just as soon as the business men of Mexia have completed their inventories and have the business rush incident to the first of the year off their hands that Mr. Desenberg call a meeting of the citizens of Mexia to go into the matter of building the Memorial Building and get it under way. I would think that January 10th would be as early as this meeting could be held for the business men of the city will not have time before that date to give it serious consideration. I want to see a memorial home built in Mexia, and I feel sure that when the Mexia business men get behind it, one will be built which will be a great credit to our city.

Very truly yours,
J. K. HUGHES.

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WHEN YOU ARE SIXTY-FIVE

Collection of figures concerning the financial history of many men makes it comparatively easy to estimate the probable financial rating of a man when he reaches sixty-five.

The American Bankers' Association has discovered that out of 100 young men entering business at twenty-five only one will be wealthy and three well off at sixty-five Of the total, thirty-six will have died and fifty-four who reach sixty-five will be dependent on relatives or the state for their support, having made money and lost it.

What of the thirty-six who have died? Men give less thought to their future life than to provision for the families they will leave behind. They know that the only treasure they can take beyond the grave is that which they have laid up in heaven through the good they have done on earth. Their stocks and bonds will be no good in St. Peter's realm.

Church attendance from twenty-five to sixty-five will not insure eternal salvation, for some great sinners have used church attendance as a cloak for their evil acts But regular church attendance does expose one to the ideals which when put into practice, together with belief on the Lord Jesus Christ, will insure a man's future happiness.

Business experts can help but little on the future life, but every pastor in this city is a spiritual expert Seek one just as you would a financial advisor. Start to church today.

YOU AND YOUR BUTCHER

Somewhere in this city is a book or similar record which you would like to see, but probably never will Your butcher, grocer and tailor have seen it. They know what it says about you.

The book contains the credit rating of you and your family.

If you pay your bills in full on the first of the month the book says so. If you are dilatory, that record is set down and if in the past you have tried to evade payment of just debts, every tradesman in town knows it The storekeeper may greet you with a smile when you enter his place of business, but he knows just how long he will have to wait for payment for the goods he permits you to have.

Whether St. Peter keeps a record of your good and bad deeds, or whether he delegates that to an assistant, no one is able to say But most persons believe some sort of record is being kept of the promises we break, the good impulses we stifle, the ideals we smother.

But if our record for the past year has been worse than we would wish, we can make a better one this year We can stop being sullen, gruff and evil-minded. St Peter's rating of our acts for last year need not continue for this twelve-month. The new calendar pad presents tangible evidence of the unspotted pages before us.

Regular church attendance will help strengthen your good impulses and check the evil ones Attend some church regularly all this year.

"Forgetting the things which are behind . . . I press forwarrd,"

Community Power and Light Company Purchased Plant at Teague And Is Now Making Improvements At Mexia

COMMUNITY POWER

From Dallas comes the information that the Community Power and Light Company has purchased the power plant at Teague. The announcement was made Friday by Fred A Jones of Dallas, President of the Company which operates a chain of electric and other utility plants in this part of Texas. The consideration was not stated.

A power line is now being built by the Community Power and Light Company from Marlin through to Mexia to Teague. Central offices will be maintained at Marlin instead of at Mexia. The plan provides for the linking together of all the units of the company.

Mr. Jones also stated that his company would electrify the ice plant at Teague, one of its properties, and that additional machinery was being installed in the Mexia plant.

When the work planned is completed some fifteen towns grouped about Marlin as the Central supply point will be served by the Community Company, which was formed a few months ago after a consolidation of the light and power properties at Mexia and Marlin.

A lower power rate was promised for Mexia several weeks ago, which is to become effective, it is learned on the first of January, 1924 The Marlin rate is understood to be the one to be applied here.

According to city officials when negotiations were in progress, Mexia, it was understood, was to be the Central office for the company.

New Year Greetings

It has been said that Friendship in Business counts Much.

We are grateful for yours—you people of Mexia and surrounding territory.

For the year 1924 we wish for you Prosperity and Happiness.

The Style Shop
105 South Sherman St.

DIVORCE PRODUCT

By WICKES WAMBOLDT

A young man said bitterly to me one day, "I'm a mess. I'm a divorce product. My father and mother split up when I was three years old. The court gave me into my mother's custody, but I was to spend part of my time with my father.

"My mother never missed a chance to take a crack at my father and my father's people. If they had any faults real or imaginary I knew about them. She made light of the traditions of his part of the country and I grew up with the idea that his end of the proposition was pretty worthless. And then when I was with my father I got the same impression about my mother and her folks.

"How could I under such tutelage obey the injunction, 'Honor thy father and thy mother'? I was taught to do just the opposite. And so," he continued, "here I am a man and I am without the glorious heritage of pride in relationship on either side I can take no more satisfaction in reviewing my ancestry than a mule

"Undoubtedly in a general way my kin have no more flaws than anybody else's kin, but all I know is the flaws. They are all damaged goods to me and I am a product of damaged goods.

"By golly," he said with determination, "there is only one thing left for me to do. I'm going to find me the right kind of little girl and I'm going ten thousand miles away from the whole bunch and I'm going to set up a little family of my own as permanent as the Rock of Gibraltar and I'm going to be an ancestor myself. And believe me," he added, "my kids are going to be proud of their ancestor too."

That young man was absolutely correct. It is a glorious heritage to have had a happy home and to have been raised by harmonious parents who respect each other's kinsfolk and who if they don't have the same traditions can see that which is good and beautiful in each other's traditions, and who magnify the virtues and minimize the failings of each other.

It is a great thing for a boy to grow up thinking, "My dad is the finest man in the world," and "if my mother had been Eve we would all be in the Garden of Eden today."

One cannot fool the children. They have eyes to see and ears to hear. They may love wrangling carping parents, but they do not respect them And if they do take them as examples more's the pity.

Lucky is the boy who can pay reverent tribute to the morals, the motives, and the manners of his progenitors.

The Greatness of Little Things

By A Garland Adair

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

In 1821—

Abraham Lincoln, a lad of fifteen years, was working on a ferryboat on the Ohio for $6 a month

The Marquis of Lafayette visited America, and was received with tremendous acclaim by crowds of cheering people wherever he went

Steam ferries were operated for the first time between New York and Brooklyn

An epidemic of yellow fever was raging in Louisiana

The manufacture of flannel by water power was first started at Amesbury, Massachusetts.

An English bricklayer named Joseph Aspdin took out a patent for a material he called 'portland cement" naming it 'portland" because when it hardened it resembled a gray stone found on the Isle of Portland off the coast of England The name has stuck ever since and the modern portland cement industry has been developed from Aspdin's discovery.

The Erie canal connecting the Great Lakes with New York, was rapidly nearing completion. The first steamboat passed through the canal from Rochester to Albany.

Anthracite coal was used for the first time in New York.

The Colorado beetle, commonly known as the potato bug, made its appearance in Wisconsin.

The first three-story brick house had just been completed in Brooklyn, N Y The town had a population of 7,000 The houses had just been numbered and some of the streets paved

M. Niepce, a Frenchman, working with his countryman Daguerre, discovered the science that led to the invention of the daguerreotype in 1838.

CITIZENSHIP
Thought for the Day

By A Garland Adair

Who are citizens of the United States?

All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the States wherein they reside

(Fourteenth Amendment)

The good citizen is loyal

If our country is to become greater and better, her citizens, from the cradle to the coffin, must be loyal, and devotedly faithful, in every relation of life

Therefore, let our resolves be to be loyal to our home and all those institutions that serve to insure domestic tranquility, loyal to our home community, to our state, to our nation, and to humanity, bearing constantly in mind that they who obey the laws of loyalty obey all the other laws of the Good American

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of the New Spring Styles in Fine Footwear

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Our books are closed for the month All charged purchases made Monday will be payable February 1st.

GENE SINCLAIR
GOOD SHOES - HOSIERY

COUNTY JUDGE H. F. KIRBY ANNOUNCES FOR REELECTION

In announcing for re-election to the office of County Judge it might be well for me to review my record as such for the past three years, but will not at this time burden the citizenship with a lengthy argument to convince them why I am seeking their favor in maintaining me in the present official capacity as their County Judge

But there are various reasons why I am anxious to be re-elected to the high office I now hold Achievements of large proportions have been undertaken and are now under way and while I am not claiming that I am the only one that could bring them to a successful close, as that would be the act of an egotist, I do think the change should not be made at this time

The State Highway Department at Austin would rejoice if myself along with every other County Judge in Texas who dares to oppose their nefarious methods, could be defeated, and they will use every underhanded scheme known to cheap politics to accomplish their aims

There are those in this County who have criticized me severly for my opposition to that Department of our government, but most of those fellows are either misinformed or are believers in government by boards, bureaus and commissions Of course those who believe that this government should be centralized at Austin and Washington, and believe that the people should not control their own local affairs think that the State Highway Commission of Texas should be granted the power to do just as they please, that they should not be molested

Evidently a majority of the last legislature thought so as a law was enacted at the request of the said Highway Commission increasing the license fees on automobiles almost two thirds and giving all the increase of the fees so collected to the Highway Department at Austin in order that they might spend more money in the West Texas counties that are probably not paying $500 00 each year as automobile fees, and are having their highways constructed with money coming by law from such counties as Limestone County

I have contended all along that it is unfair to this county, that Limestone County should have its own money to spend on its own roads and not have to furnish money to build roads in West Texas The County tax collector informs me that approximately $125,000 will be collected from those who own automobiles Now, Limestone County will only retain a little better than $30,000 of this money. If Limestone County could retain all of this $125 000 in a few years we could have good roads leading to every town in the County, thereby enabling farmers to reach the markets better with their products.

But those advocates of surrendering everything to the Highway Commission at Austin, will at once contend that to give the Highway Commission all of the money collected from the automobile owners and the control of the highways, that we will be paid back in the way of State and Federal aid, and that by so doing, they can build a connected system of highways —but, a connected highway for who? Why, for tourists only Yes, and not for the farmers of the county who live off the highway They are the ones who pay the burden of taxes in this country, they are entitled where they are paying an increase in automobile fees to have roads built in order that they may reach the markets with their products

The Highway Commission at Austin does not care a snap for the fellow who lives in the interior of the country or the county, and mind you they are not elected by the people, but are appointed to office, while the County Judge and the Commissioners are elected by the people. The people have some recourse on officials who they elect, but have no say whatever over any board, bureau and commission

What I have said about the Highway Commission applies to the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, at Fort Worth, but I cannot at this time, for want of space cover this subject but later on I will give you my views on their nefarious acts.

Both of the above boards want all County Judges to bow to their wishes and demands in seeking to extract from the people their control over their own local affairs I say it in all candor and truth they want all of us defeated, and they hope by so doing they can elect some one whom they can control

I will not at this time say more, as I have already taken too much space I can do little towards helping things in general, only to tell the people of this County what is facing them. The trouble is with the Legislature in legislating away from the people power to control their own local affairs; but I will say that I oppose government by boards, bureaus and commissions, and in favor of government by the people; and if you see fit to continue me in office I promise to keep up the fight.

Respectfully,
H. F. KIRBY.

Mexia Gun Club Plans Shoot on New Years Day

The Mexia Gun Club will hold a new years shoot January the first in which the public is cordially invited to participate There will be several prizes given and two men out of every five that shoot will be rewarded.

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ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

By SHYBOOTS

On the way down town this morning, I walked with C. L. Tatum and Frank Bolton. That is, Mr. Tatum and I walked together and Mr. Bolton lead the way. He's quite a leader, you Shriners and Elks well know. Besides he needed the room.

The conversation drifted into the subject of marriages. Mr. Tatum said, "do you know that Miss So and So married this week and didn't say a thing to me about it when I went to see her last week?"

"Too bad! too bad!" was all the remark that I could make.

With his legal turn of mind and following the lawyer's instinct to give advice, good or bad, Mr. Bolton said: "Well, Tatum, I just wouldn't go to see her anymore."

Mr. Tatum didn't say anything. So I asked Mr. Bolton if any member of his family had ever made a brilliant marriage.

"Only my wife," he replied.

About that time we reached Tom photographer Tom Meador's display at the corner of Commerce and Central Avenue. The window had a picture of Mr. Bolton astride a mule, dressed up for a Karem ceremonial.

Frank paused a moment and asked "That's a good picture of me, isn't it?"

To this Mr. Tatum replied:

"Sure it looks something like you, but who is that on your back?"

I considered they were even, so I dropped behind to have a word with the Mayor, who was examining the street to see if the pavement was still there. While we were making the examination, a party of young ladies came across Commerce. They were all strangers to the Mayor and me, but we concurred in a statement made by Jesse McLendon that Flo Ziegfield's Follies must be in town. They were charming as young ladies usually are and attired a la mode.

The Mayor simply remarked: "I'm sure glad there's no dust and dirt on our streets to blow into our stores and obstruct our vision." Then he asked, "aren't they pretty?"

Wallace Welch, by that time, was on the scene and hearing the question asked by the Mayor promptly answered: "Yes, they were given a good cleaning last night."

"We were not discussing the streets" chimed in Ford Hall at this juncture.

Seeing that Wallace had some urgent business with the Mayor, we separated and as I looked back I saw Wallace turning in a list of citizens who had headaches after Christmas day. The list may be turned over to Shyboots for his column soon.

GOLLIWOGG REVUE

Saturday, December 29th, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. the pupils of Miss Beeson and Miss Walters will give the Golliwogg Revue at the High School auditorium. Proceeds will go to the High School Library. Admission 25c and 35c. 28-2

Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

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F. W. Brigance, Traveling Freight Agent for the St. Louis and Southwestern railroad, was a business visitor to Mexia Friday.

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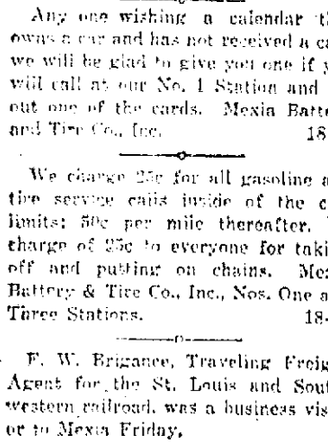

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS JR
'Stephen Steps Out'
THEODORE ROBERTS

Patterson's Column

The year is ending. Soon every merchant will know whether his last year's plans have been a success or failure.

With us the year has been one full of work and we believe profit but whether it has been profitable or not, it has been altogether a happy year and so we bid it good bye with a feeling of regret that is tempered with the hope the New Year holds.

The most pleasant feeling that can come to any man regarding his business relation with the public, is the assurance that his customers are his friends and that nothing he has ever said or done has given them cause to regret placing their confidence in him.

Character is the basis of reputation and the wise merchant guards carefully that foundation upon which every business must rest.

No one merchant in any line can possibly do all the business. This too, is as it should be for competition is a good thing. Without competition there would be a tendency toward profiteering that would eventually wreck a business and work to the detriment of the ultimate consumer.

Again we say that we are well pleased with the years business that we have had. January 1st we remove to our New Location—between Karner and Phillips and the John R. Corley Furniture Co.—in the building now occupied by the Lawson Sewell Dry Goods Company.

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—Patterson.

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January Physical Culture Magazine February Motion Picture Magazine now on sale. Pioneer News Stand.

Through A Woman's Eyes

By SADIE KIRGAN

WHAT MAKES A WOMAN OLD?

Good Housekeeping Magazine decided to find out. The magazine asked its readers, offering a prize for the best answer. Mary Stuart Sullivan won the prize. And the most extraordinary thing about the prize-winner is that she is only 14 years old.

It all started this way. Fanny Heaslip Lea wrote an article for Good Housekeeping called "I'd be Thirty Forever." Then Dorothy Dix protested with "The Joy of Being Fifty". Carrie Chapman Catt then joined the debate with the contention that 60-plus was the golden age of woman.

And now a girl just entering high school comes along with her answer. She says that cowardice and selfishness are the two things that make women old. She says that when love and interest are crowded out of the human heart by selfishness and cowardness, everything becomes drab and unattractive and it is not long before old age has us mentally and physically in her grip. Her article appears in January Good Housekeeping.

This 14-year-old philosopher approached the problem in an interesting way. She decided to ask everybody around the house what made women old. She asked relatives and servants and she got some amusing answers.

For instance, her old colored mammy said: "Lor, honey, I mo than specs dat turrible hard work an' Ole Man Trouble am mosely 'sponsible.".

Her middle-aged uncle said: "Age is due to emotions; women are emotional creatures and give way to tears and nerves at the slightest provocation, and age collects the toll."

Said Old Uncle Jasper, the cook's better half, "Wimmin folks grows old kase they talks so much they wears theirselves out".

Her father, however, may have been the only one with the right idea for he said that ladies worry themselves into old age trying so hard to keep young.

STREET CLEANING BEGAN RECENTLY

Mexia woke up to cleaner streets Saturday morning, thanks to the boys who spent the night in sweeping them with the new street sweeper. Cleaning began as soon as the streets were vacated by the cars and continued until 5 o'clock Saturday morning when the cleaning of the business section was finished. Dust from the work was eliminated by first flushing the pavements with the fire hose.

CIVIL CASES ENTERED IN COUNTY COURT

Maryland Casualty Company vs. T. E. Adams.

B. D. Mullens vs. A. B. Richards Medicine Company.

N. P. West vs Cheeves Brothers and Company.

Federal Supply Company vs. D. S. Hoad.

C. S. and J. E. Bradley vs. Humphreys Oil Company.

Marion Machine Foundry and Supply Company vs The Texas Company.

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Prendergast, Smith National Bank vs Will Echols et al. Debt.

K. O. McCraw vs E. H. Acord.

J. W. Fisher et ux vs D. M. Edwards et ux.

Jack Dodson vs H. Womack and D. P. Quesenberry. Debt.

C. C. Double vs Groesbeck and Wilson et al.

N. Hollingsworth vs. Groesbeck & Wilson.

Neyer and Kiser vs C. F. Reeves Debt.

Mary C. Webster et al vs J. W. Webster et al.

J. Altman vs W. S. Loper et al.

Prendergast-Smith National Bank vs. Mabelle Spalding et al. Debt.

H. & T. C. Railroad vs R. S. Martin.

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American Kennel Club Show Will Be During March

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—Some say dogs cannot understand the spoken word of man. Perhaps they cannot, but if some one in Boston will tell "Laddie Boy" this story there are men here who believe the shaggy Airedale will understand and appreciate it.

Each year the American Kennel Club has a dog show. This year it will be held March 11-12-13 in the Cleveland public auditorium. It is the eighth annual exhibition.

The largest entry at this show is usually composed of Airedale fine, intelligent dogs with serious eyes like "Laddie Boy." Now Harry C. Hyatt, manager of the show, knows how well the late President Harding liked dogs, and "Laddie Boy" in particular. A few days ago he and some other of the club members were talking about Mr. Harding and wishing they could do something appropriate to help honor his memory, something that meant more than a simple gift of money.

They thought of "Laddie Boy" and remembered that the Airedale entries in the 1924 show would be numerous. That gave them an idea. It was decided to donate all the profits derived from the entry of Airedale terriers to the Harding Memorial Fund.

"We hope you will accept this contribution after our show in March with our most sincere commendation of this worthy undertaking," wrote Mr. Hyatt to General C. E. Sawyer, chariman of the executive committee of the Memorial Association, in a letter telling of the club's action.

It will have been just eleven years ago on the opening day of the Cleveland show that a touching editorial appeared in the Marion "Star". "Hub" had died, and Editor Harding was paying him tribute.

"Edgewood Hub in the register a mark of his breeding, but to us just Hub, a little Boston terrier, whose sentient eye mirrored the fidelity and devotion of his loyal heart," the editorial read. "The veterinary said he was poisoned; perhaps he was—his mute suffering suggested it. One is reluctant to believe that a human being who claims man's estate could be so hateful a coward as to ruthlessly torture and kill a trusting victim, made defenseless through his confidence in a human master, but there are such. One honest look from Hub's trusting eyes was worth a hundred lying greetings from such inhuman beings, though they wore the habiliments of man.

"Perhaps you wouldn't devote these lines to a dog. But Hub was a 'Star' office visitor nearly every day for six years in which he deepened attachment. He was a grateful and devoted dog, with a dozen lovable attributes, and it somehow voices the yearnings of broken companionship to pay his memory deserved tribute.

"It isn't orthodox to ascribe a soul to a dog if soul means immortality. But Hub was loving and loyal, with the fidelity that tests its quality. He was reverent, patient, faithful; he was sympathetic, more than humanly so sometimes, for no lure could be devised to call him from the sick bed of mistress or master. He minded his own affairs, especially worthy of human emulation, and he would kill or wound no living thing. He was modest and submissive where these qualities were becoming, yet he assumed a guardianship of the home he sentineled until entry was properly vouched. He couldn't speak our language though he somehow understood but he could be and was eloquent with uttering eye and wagging tail, and the other expressions of knowing dogs. No, perhaps he had no soul, but in these things are the essence of soul and the spirit of lovable life.

"Whether the Creator planned it so, or environment and human companionship have made it so, men learn richly through the love and fidelity of a brave and devoted dog. Such loyalty might easily add lustre to a crown of immrotality."

It is small wonder "Laddie Boy" grieved the loss of a friend and master who could write from the heart like that. And having read the editorial it is not hard to share the belief of those who say "Laddie Boy" will understand.

Female Frog Has No Vocal Organs

Here's the latest in frogdom. It is a frog which carries its young kangaroo fashion except that the pouch in which the helpless tadpoles are carried is located upon the back of the mother.

This curious creature is the find of Dr. C. Kingsley Noble of the American museum of natural history during a trip of exploration in the Andes mountains of South America.

How the pouch is formed and the eggs deposited in it is a mystery.

The male of the frogs are locally called "Carpenters" from the sound which they make in calling to their mates. It is a sound made by the vocal organs and closely resembles the knocking of a hammer. The female has no vocal organs whatever. Members of the human race might possibly take a lesson from the habits of this frog in insuring themselves of domestic tranquility.

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Dr. Brown Leads Lions Program Friday at Noon

The Lions Club held their regular luncheon at the Majestic Cafe at twelve thirty Friday. Twenty seven members and four guests were present.

Very little business was transacted. Reports from several outstanding committees were heard on matters that still stand as unfinished business.

Lion Hughes, president of the club made a short talk and urged that there be full attendance next Friday. He stated that some very important matters would come up before the club at that time.

Mrs. E. M. Strange rendered several vocal selections with Mrs. Ira Needham at the piano. Piano numbers were rendered by Miss Josie Lee Maddox and readings by Miss Maddox.

The meeting was short and lifelike. In fact members state that a new slogan has been taken up by the club which stresses beginning and ending the meetings on time regardless of what is before the meeting. The luncheon and the program is scheduled to occupy one hour, beginning at 12:30 and ending at 1:30.

Dr. M. M. Brown led the very interesting program. In the absence of Jerry Cason, the secretary of the club, Sam Werner acted as secretary.

Soviet Children Christened In The Factories

By JOHN GRAUDENZ
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MOSCOW. (By mail to U. P.)—How would you like to have your child called Spartak, Interna, Marx, October, Lenin, or even "Kim"? That is the way true communists christen their youngsters—not in church, however, because a good communist cannot be a communist and religious at the same time.

This "Communistic Christening," it is called, takes place in the factories, the factory council playing at the same time the roles of the priest and the godfather, or godmother, if you like.

The father brings the child to the factory, where he inscribes the little one's name in the Komsomol, or the communistic youth internationale. Speeches are made, songs sung and drinks passed around. The Russian insists in having some ceremony with everything.

HALIFAX, N. S.—A gold brick weighing about 150 ounces and valued at $3,000 was brought to Halifax recently by E. S. R. Smith, general manager of the Clark Gold Mines Corporation, Matague, Halifax County.

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Mexia Shrine Club To Elect Officers Thursday

Full Attendance Of Members Urged For That Occasion; Club Plans Helpful Year

According to the by-laws of the Mexia Shrine Club, the annual election of officers will take place on the first Thursday in January which is Jan. 3rd.

Notices are being mailed by the Secretary to all members of the club in good standing who are eligible to vote and calling attention to the election of a president, first, second, and third vice-presidents, a secretary and a treasurer.

All shriners in this section desiring to affiliate with the club are invited to get in touch with S. B. Werner, Secretary, who will provide them with the necessary application blank, thereby entitling them to a voice in the election and the affairs of the club.

Much new blood has been added to the club during the year closing and it is hoped that some live noble may be induced to accept some responsible office in the club and that every shriner will fall in line and make Mexia feel the presence of a real live Shrine club for 1924.

A copy of the by-laws of the club are published below for the benefit of those who are not acquainted with the functions of a Shrine Club:

By-Laws of Mexia Shrine Club

Operating under the auspices of Karem Temple A. A. O. N. M. S. of North America, in the Oasis of Waco, Texas.

ARTICLE I

Sec. 1. This organization shall be known as the Mexia Shrine Club with permanent headquarters at Mexia, Texas.

Sec. 2. The object of this Shrine Club shall be to promote good fellowship among the members of the A. A. O. N. M. S. residing in and near Mexia, Texas, and advance the interest in Shrinedom in general.

Sec. 3. These rules are for the government of the Noble desiring to become affiliated with this club and are not intended to in any way conflict with the rules, by-laws, and regulations of the Imperial Council A. A. O. N. M. S. of North America and Karem Temple of Waco, Texas.

Sec. 4. These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present provided that not less than 30 days written notice of the proposed change shall be given to all members. All changes must be approved by Karem Temple before adoption.

ARTICLE II

Sec. 1. Any Noble of the A. A. O. N. M. S. of North America is eligible to membership in this Shrine Club. Applications for membership shall be made by signing the By-Laws, rules and regulations of the Club, provided that by a majority vote of the club, a proposed applicant's name may be rejected and in such case, shall be reported to the Temple in which said Noble holds membership.

Sec. 2. The officers of this Shrine Club shall be a President, 1st vice-president, 2nd and 3rd vice-presidents, Treasurer, and Secretary and shall be elected by ballot at the monthly meeting in January.

ARTICLE III

Sec. 1. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Shrine Club and in case of a tie, cast the deciding vote.

Sec. 2. In the absence of the president the 1st vice president shall preside and in the absence of the 1st vice president the 2nd vice president shall preside. No meeting can be held without at least one of three principal officers present.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall receive all money collected by the Secretary and pay all warrants approved by the club, when signed by the President and Secretary. All funds must be deposited in a bank, agreeable to the three principal officers.

Sec. 4. The secretary shall keep a correct record of the transaction of the club, attend all meetings of the club and of its committees, collect all moneys due the club and draw warrants for all bills allowed by the club. He shall receive for his services $ per annum.

Sec. 5. The stated meetings for business shall be held on the first Thursday of each month and the annual meetings for the election of officers shall be held on the first Thursday in January. Special business meetings may be called at the option of the three principal officers and upon giving sufficient notice to all the members, stating the purpose of the special meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Sec. 1. The membership fee in this Shrine Club shall be Five Dollars.

Sec. 2. The dues shall be Six Dollars annually payable semi annually in advance.

Sec. 3. Any Noble accepting membership after January 1st shall pay the pro rata part of dues from the time he joins.

Sec. 4. Any member one year in arrears for dues shall be suspended unless he can show sufficient cause for not having paid all dues in arrears.

ARTIVLE V.

Sec. 1.—Order of Business.

1. Reading of minutes.
2. Roll Call.
3. Reading and balloting for new members.
4. Reports of committees.
5. Reading of Communications.
6. Unfinished business.
7. New business.
8. Bills and accounts.

Sec. 2.—This order of business may be departed from by a majority vote of members present.

Sec. 3.—A member that has been suspended or expelled from his Temple shall be automatically suspended from this Shrine Club until restored in his Temple.

Sec. 4.—Any member suspended for non-payment of dues may be reinstated upon payment of all dues charged against his account at time he was suspended. No dues shall be charged against him during his suspension.

Sec. 5.—Any member may be allowed the privilege of resigning upon written request to the secretary, providing said member is in good standing.

Guy Herring.
Rod Fielder
Drew Pruett
Edwin D. Dunlap
J. P. Yeldell.
By-Laws Committee.

Approved by Karem Temple A. A. O. N. M. S. this 26th day of Nov., 1921, at Waco, Texas.

W. A. Parker, Potentate.
W. T. Quebe, Recorder.

PROSPECT, Tex.—Three women were seriously burned in a fire which destroyed the Prosper high school Thursday afternoon following explosion of a gasoline engine under the stairway in the building. The women and three children were making final plans for a school entertainment when the explosion occurred. The building was immediately enveloped in flames but the women tossed the children from the second story of the structure into the arms of volunteer firemen before making their own escape.

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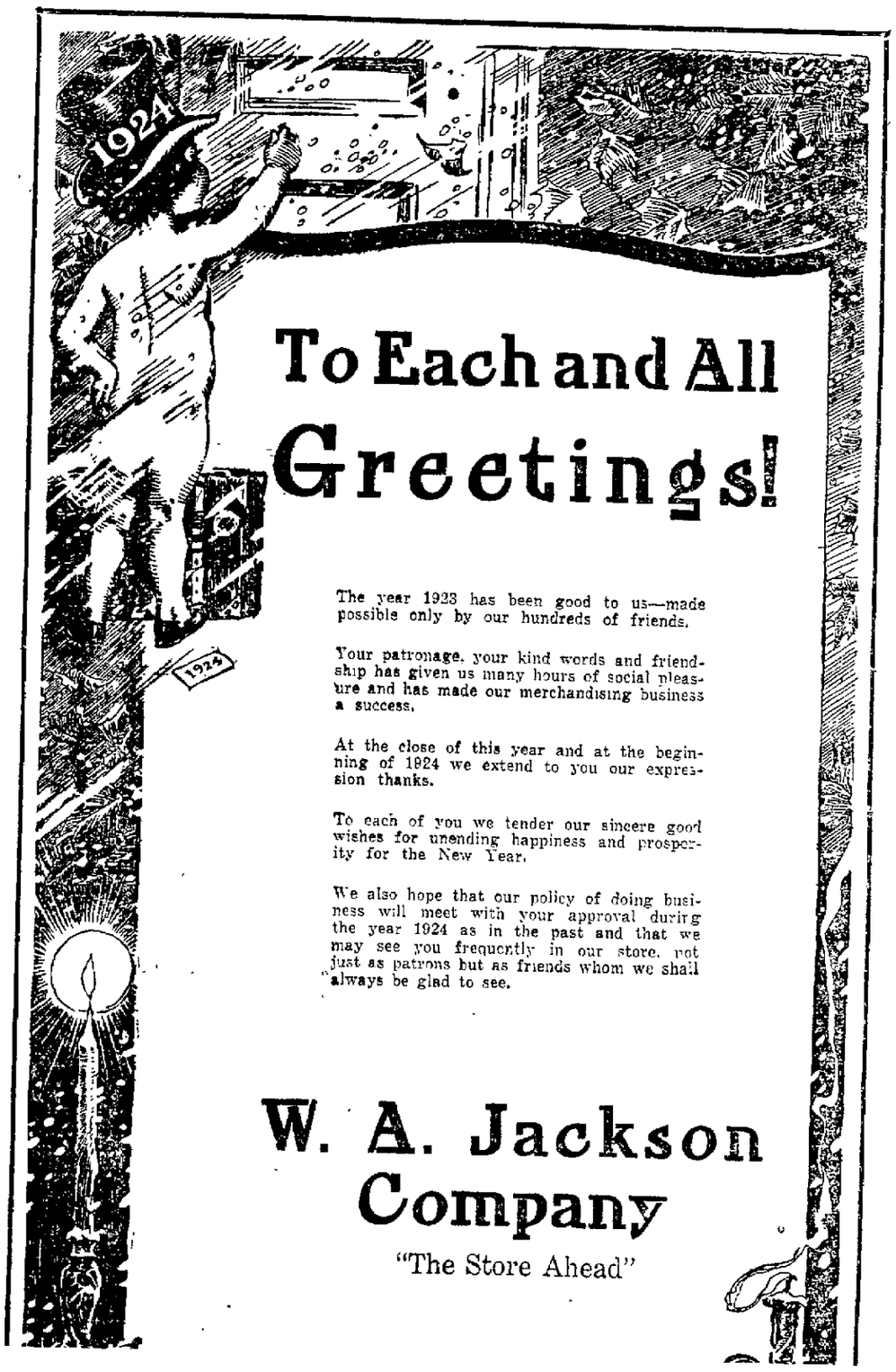

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Landis' Victory Means Four Year Peace

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—"Now for four years of peace," a major league club owner said after Commissioner Landis had floored Ban Johnson, American League president, for a long count during the recent major league meetings.

Landis has a contract that runs for four years and the owner mentioned above sought to convey the impression that as long as Landis rules, Ban Johnson will have to keep his mouth shut.

Johnson will not keep quiet, however. He has never been known to take a beating like a good sport and the humiliation of being upraided in front of sixteen club owners will, no doubt, cause him to become even more annoying in his passive resistance to the commissioner.

While it is certain that Johnson will continue to annoy the commissioner with indirect resistance, it is just as certain that he will be as badly beaten in any future attempts to overthrow the Landis regime as he was in Chicago.

Johnson is clever enough to do his fighting without exposing himself. He has the faculty and the means of getting his opinions in circulation without assuming personal responsibility for them.

He is always in the position where he can express surprise at statements attributed to him that, while originating with him, always come from other sources.

No one is in a position to say or prove that Johnson ever said anything about Commissioner Landis or did anything to annoy him, but Landis knew that Johnson was responsible for the propaganda that had been spread against his administration or he would not have removed the hide so thoroughly from Johnson's back with the whip that he can wield so well.

Johnson, it is understood, wanted Landis to itemize an expense account of $10,000 and to make an accounting for the money of the advisory council that is handled by the commissioner's office.

Landis naturally went after him for it.

The commissioner also let it be known that Johnson had misquoted several things that had been said in meetings between the commissioner and the presidents of the two big leagues and he let it be known that Johnson never would have a chance to misquote him again.

College Football Is O. K. Says Farrel

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—It was to be expected at the end of the football season that the usual dolorous wail would be sounded and the need would be pointed out of doing something to "save football."

It was honed that the alarm would be sounded only from certain quarters that have shouted "danger" in the past. Blasts from those quarters were to be expected. And they came.

As long as there was no national cry for the need of changes to save football, the game could be considered in rather good condition, but it was the more pleasing and all the more convincing that the game is sound when such scholars as Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia, lend enthusiastic words in support of the game.

Dr. Butler said, in addressing the Columbia 'Varsity "C" club, that he felt the award of a "letter" for excellency at athletics to be as meritorious and as praiseworthy as the award of diplomas for academic work.

He said also he was of the opinion that football and athletics are an integral part of the university.

Officials of Pennsylvania University insisted that the present situation calls only for a continuation of faculty supervision and the policy of demanding high scholastic standing among the athletes that make the varsity teams.

As long as there are no immediate cases to consider it seems that it is only an alarmist who worries about what would happen, "if" such-and-such a thing came about.

It is impossible for the lawmakers of the game to legislate against a violation of the moral code that may happen in the future, or may be happening now.

If football ever gets in trouble it will be because of violations of honor and can be blamed directly upon the coach or the athletic officials at the university where it happens.

Ether Wakes Up Plant Life In Coldest Weather

The animal family is not the only family subject to the action of dope. According to a recent discovery plants may now be listed in the category of its addicts. But with them the action of the dope is different. While a shot of ether will put any ordinary person to sleep it will wake up a plant and put it to amazing activity even in the coldest weather.

The discovery was made by Professor David Lumsden of the federal horticultural board. Only a small quantity is needed and it is given the plant either by inhalation or injection. The effect is lasting. By drugging the plants, too, every latent bud and shott is made to grow and produce, which does not occur when the plant is allowed to grow in the ordinary way.

The Professor Lumsden is experimenting to see whether or not these ether treatments do not enable the plants to resist disease. If so injections of ether will be to the vegetable world what the various forms of vaccination are to the animal world.

DALLAS.—Diamonds valued at more than $1500 were taken from D. E. Blaine by a highwayman here last night who held up Blaine as the latter started to the house after putting his car in his garage. The robber also took $390 in cash and $500 in checks from Blaine.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 28.—President Coolidge filed his formal acceptance of the republican majority in the election for president. In his declaration of acceptance he adheres to the state republican platform adopted at the convention December 4.

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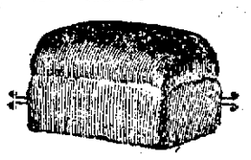

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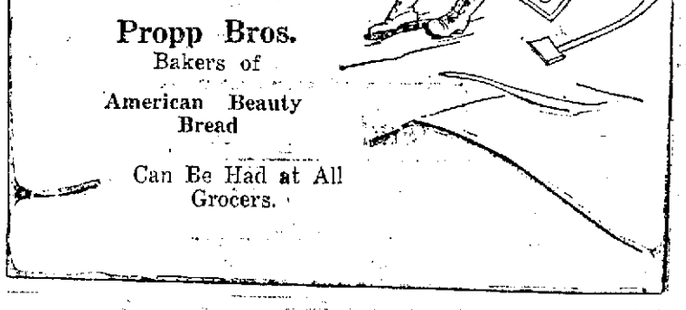

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LOST—Between McKinney and Sherman streets, child's green velvet purse. Green gold frame. Reward for return to News office. 30D2

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FOR SALE—Seven room residence, garage, servant house, barn, also sixteen room apartment house on 125 feet facing East Palestine St. 50 feet from pavement. Priced to sell. Geo. Tidwell at Tidwell's Grocery and Market. 30J7

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POLL TAX PAYMENTS SLOW IN MEXIA

Pay your poll tax. Time is up Jan. 31st. Only one more month to go and this is election year.

Records at the office of the city secretary show 58 paid up. 38 of those were paid before Christmas.

There are approximately 1500 voters in and around Mexia, possibly a great many more. 58 is a very small per cent of 1500.

B. S. East of Coolidge was a visitor to the city Friday.

Rich Patronize Barber College

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 29.—Many persons, known to have comfortable fortunes and even a few bankers visit the "free parlor" at the local barber colleges regularly, owners say.

Not only are these wealthy persons regular customers but they make no bones about walking openly into the door of the college, it is said.

Side-by-side with them in the free chairs are many "down-and-outers" who come in regularly. Many of them show up daily for a shave and twice a week for a haircut.

The chairs of the advanced students where a price of fifteen cents is made for a haircut are always crowded. They are patronized for the most part by the middle class.

Most of the students are boys from the rural sections. Their first lesson is to shave a vinegar bottle on which they learn the proper mevements. The course takes about six weeks.

Chief Cook At Dallas Jail Dead

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 29.—Grief at the county jail from both inmates and officials is profound—"Dad" is dead.

W. L. Manker, who for two years and a half had cooked the meals for the prisoners and was affectionately known as "Dad" was stricken with appolexy last week and died without regaining consciousness.

Manker was arrested in 1912, for stealing a ride on a freight train. He couldn't pay his fine and was thrown into jail. Sheriff Harston, learning he was a good cook, remitted his fine and hired him on the spot.

For years "Dad" cooked aboard many tramp steamers and for a while in the navy. He had traveled the world over, visiting almost every country on the globe. He was born in Ireland.

The Passing Of Ranger Boom Days

RANGER, Texas, Dec. 29.—One of the last reminders of the oil boom in Ranger will soon be done away with.

Thirty six "boom day bungalows" are to be converted into garages, chicken houses and other outbuildings to boost real estate values.

The two room shacks, built at the height of the "flowing gold rush," brought $250 at that time and were snapped up.

Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Texas, County of Limestone.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dallas County, of the 14th, day of Dec. 1923, by The District Clerk of said Dallas County, for the sum of $1800.00 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Foreclosure and Deed of Trust Lien, in favor of in a certain cause in said court, No. 49016-? and styled Fidelity Savings Trust Company, versus Mrs. Della Box, the surviving wife of S. A. Box, deceased, Clarence Box, Alvie Box, Mable Box, Homer Box, Ruby Box, Herman Box, Branton Box, and Mrs. Della Box, Gurdian of the Estates of Clarence, Alvie, Mable, Homer, Ruby, Herman, and Branton Box, Minors.

The Plaintiff, Fidelity Savings Trust Company, recovered, in the District Court of Dallas County, 68th, Judicial District of Texas, a judgement against the said defendants, Della Box, for the sum of $1800.00 principal, $424.80 interest and $222.48 attorney's fees, together with interest on $2224.80 principal and interest at the rate of 10% per annum and interest at the rate of 6% per annum on $222.48 attorney's fees from said November 13th, 1923.

And placed in my hands for service, I Whit Popejoy, Sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 17th, day of December, A. D., 1923, Levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being 103 acres of land in the Chas. Roberts survey, described in three tracts as follows:

FIRST TRACT: 42 acres of land described as beginning at the Southeast corner of lot No. 1, in the Adams-O'Neal subdivision of said Chas. Roberts League, in the North line of the 90 acre tract known as the Limestone County, Land; Thence North 30 West with the East line of said Lot No. 1, 700 varas to corner from which a post oak 12" in dia. brs. North 22½ East 10 varas; Thence North 60 East 338 varas to corner; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Northeast corner of said Limestone County 90 acre tract; Thence South 60 West along the North line of said 90 acre tract 338 varas to the place of beginning.

SECOND TRACT: 30 acres of land described as beginning at the Northeast corner of the R. O'Neal 200 acre homestead tract; Thence North 30 West with said O'Neal's line, 560 varas to corner; Thence North 60 East 127 varas to corner; Thence North 20 West with the O'Neal line to the Southwest corner of the M. R. Box 18 acre tract; Thence North 60 East to the Northwest corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Southwest corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 60 West 294 varas to the place of beginning.

Said two tracts of land above described being the same land conveyed by Ella Box to S. A. Box on January 12, 1920, by Deed duly recorded in the deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

THIRD TRACT: 31 acres of land known as part of the R. O'Neal homestead, beginning at the most Southern Northwest corner of the 30 acre tract of land described as tract No. 2 above, Thence South 30 East 585 varas to corner on the North line of the tract of land convenyed by Mrs. Abia Box and others to Mrs. Alice Stem, a rock for corner; Thence South 60 West 298 varas to corner; same being the Southeast corner of a 21 acre tract designated by S. A. Box and wife as a part of their homestead; Thence North 31 west 585 varas to the Northeast corner of said 21 acre tract; Thence North 60 East 298 varas to the place of beginning, being part of the land conveyed by M. B. Box, and wife to S. A. Box by deed recorded in Vol. 76, page 178 deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

Said three tracts of land being the same land described in the deed of Trust from S. A. Box and wife, Della Box to Chas. L. Kribs, Trustee, recorded in Vol. 7, page 493-7, deed of trust records of Limestone County, Texas: and levied upon as the property of Della Box, and all above named parties and that on the first Tuesday in Feb., 1924, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Della Box, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 17th, day of Dec., 1923.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff,
Limestone County Texas.
By N. P. Harris, Deputy.
Dec. 18-25 Jan. 2

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may proprely come before it.

Mexia, Texas, December 5th, 1923.
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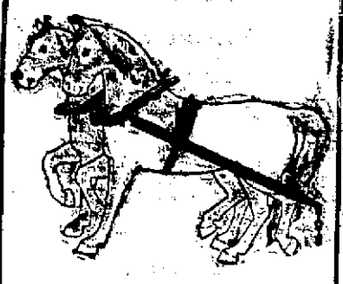
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32 From Dallas ..... 10:08 a. m.
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18 Houston San Antonio ..... 1:57 a. m.
20 Houston San Antonio ..... 12:16 a. m.

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Family Reunion at Bryan Christmas Attended by Relatives from Mexia

(From Bryan Eagle)

A merry family reunion was held at the home of A. E. Withers Christmas Day. Eighteen members of the family were represented at the Christmas feats. Those present were: Great grandmother, Mrs. L. A. Withers of Temple, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Hostetter and daughter, Dorothy of Mexia; Mr. and Mrs. M. R. (Dock) Withers of Waco, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Norton and daughter, Evelyn Marie of Waco, Texas; Miss Bess Withers, College Station, Texas; Manville H. Withers, Windell O. Withers, Billie Withers, R. T. Withers, A. E. Withers, Jr., and little Miss Lydia Dell Withers, all of Bryan, Texas.

Mrs. L. A. Withers (grandma) is in her seventy-eighth year, and her faculties are bright and her health good at this remarkable age. Grandma Withers is a native of Georgia and immigrated to the great State of Texas in the year 1875, and she is proud of the fact that she is the mother of six boys and one girl, and a great-grandmother of ten living grand-children and the grand-mother of 18 living grand children, a total of forty-eight grand children in all.

Her sons are: J. C. Withers of Hamilton, Texas; W. A. Withers, of Belton, Texas; A. E. Withers of Bryan, Texas; G. W. Withers of Weatherford, Texas; O. D. Withers of Beaumonth, Texas; F. D. Withers of Temple, Texas; and daughter Myrtle Llewellen of Temple, Texas.

The dining room and parlors were beautifully decorated with native moss, holly and mistletoe. After a bountiful turkey dinner was served at two tables the Christmas tree was removed from the parlor and dancing and games was indulged in by the members of the family and a few neighboring guests. At midnight coffee and cake was served to those of the family who departed on late trains, after a most happy Christmas Day spent with grandmother Withers.

615,000 WELLS DRILLED IN PAST 75 YEARS

According to a compilation just completed, 615,000 wells have been drilled for oil and gas in the United States since the beginning of the industry in 1859. Were all the derricks represented by these wells standing at the present time, they would comprise a veritable Black Forest of timber and steel. The investment in material and labor going into these wells runs into billions of dollars of capital privately invested.

Of the oil wells completed some produced a million or several million barrels each. Some produced only a few barrels and were scarcely more profitable than dry holes. Some produced for years, some for months, some for weeks, some for a few days and some for only a few hours. Some blew in as great gushers and were "flowing" wells. Some were "pumpers" without any gas or other pressure to create a flow. Some had to be "shot" with dynamite before they would produce at all. Some were mere "showings" and yielded oil only by means of artificial stimulation. Some of the great gushers flowed only for brief periods and became meek "pumpers."

Great U. S. Field Development.

The leadership of the United States in pertoleum is not told by a mere comparison of production statistics which reveals that it is producing 64 per cent of the world's oil, unless thought is given to the relative magnitude of the field work necessary to achieve this production. America has about 280,000 producing oil wells at the present time. Few foreign countries have 1,000 producing wells each. The average of production of all the wells in the United States is less than five barrels a day.

Mexico developed a production one-third as great as that of the United States with less than 500 producing wells.

Fourteen Thousand Producers

According to latest reports there are about fourteen thousand producers of oil in the United States, consisting of individuals, partnerships and companies. Among these are many legitimate "wildcatters" who discover new pools in unproven territory, not in the haphazard way of the old days but in scientific operation and well planned, but expensive, development campaigns.

The records show that persons or companies seeking production are at present drilling 5,700 wells. In 1922 they completed 21,000 wells, involving an expenditure of over half a billion dollars.

Drilling of Oil Wells.

There are two principal ways of drilling an oil well in the United States. The one most generally used is the cable tool method and the other is the rotary method. In both cases a derrick is first built, usually of wood but sometimes of steel, and by means of an engine operated either by steam, gas or electricity a bit is made to drill into the earth.

In the case of the cable tool method the bit used weighs anywhere from 150 pounds to a ton and the larger bits standing upright dwarf a man. The bit is lowered and raised by means of a rope or steel cable and pounds steadily through the hardest rock formation with a slightly twisting motion.

The rotary method may be compared to an auger. It is forced into the ground with a revolving motion, and its stem is increased in length as drilling progresses until the well is completed. The rotary is more widely used in drilling through soft formations. Often a combination of both methods is used.

As a well is drilled it is cased off with pipe of different diameter, the larger pipe at the top and smaller pipe as the depth increases. This is to protect the well from caving and from intrusion of water. When a well is completed it is a cone shaped, steel lined hole going on an average over half a mile into the ground.

Mining Process of Old Days.

In the early stages of its development oil production was a mining process. Drilling or boring for oil as at present was not attempted.

In many countries oil seepages existed or oil laden sands were found at comparatively shallow depths and as uses of petroleum began to be recognized natives undertook the mining of oil in a local and primitive way.

In the Carpathian fields of Galicia (now part of Poland) and Roumania it has only been in the last thirty or forty years that drilling has superseded digging. Oil was produced in these countries as early as 1750 and 1810 but a real footing for petroleum as an article of commerce was not obtained until after 1850.

Oil operations were undertaken in the Peché'bronn district of Alsace, France, in 1785 and until 1870 "bituminous sand" was systematically mined by shaft and gallery. In 1881 boring was introduced and the primitive mining process was finally abandoned in 1888.

Baku, now part of Russia, was producing commercial oil early in the 19th century under primitive mining methods and it was not until after 1872 that a more scientific method of producing was evolved.

Japan derived oil from natural exposures and dug wells centuries ago but the modern development of its oil industry dates from 1859 when drilling for oil began.

Introduction of Drilling.

It was left for Colonel E. L. Drake at Titusville, Pa., in 1859 to adopt the expedient of driving an iron tube thru the quicksands and clay to the oil rock and thus to introduce the new method of drilling that has made possible oil development on a large quantitative scale.

The United States has led in modernizing oil field operations, and American methods are being adopted in all recently discovered fields and are supplanting antiquated methods in such countries as Roumania, Galicia and Russia. The American oil man has led the world in methods and service. It is one of the achievements that has helped to make America commercially great.

OVER 25,000 INDIANS IN IN TEXAS IN 1856

It is interesting to note in these days of rapid transit in Texas over improved highways via the Packard Twin Six and other high-powered automobiles that the vast domain now so easily negotiated in a matter of hours instead of days, was, less than 70 years ago, the home of over 25,000 Indians, representing fourteen different tribes; a virgin land that knew no mode of transportation other than via horseback, the ox team and wagon train; a land in portions of which the buffalo and other wild animal life, now almost extinct roamed in large numbers.

The Gonzales Inquirer of February 23, 1856, gives the total Indian population of Texas at that time as 25,000, basing the figures on returns from the Texas Indian Agencies and figures on file at the Indian Bureau in Washington. Of this number, there were 20,000 Comanches and Kiowas, the other tribes being much smaller, with the exception of the Apaches. The account says:

"Most of the powerful tribes are so far from the settlements as to give no trouble. It is the small and broken bands who furnish most of the marauders."

If your husband is a lover of bird hunting, surprise him New Year with a gift of the painting "On the Scent." See it in window at John R Corley.

AUSTIN, Dec. 29.—Pete Welk, convicted murderer in connection with the killing of Willis Champion jailer at Dallas jail during an attempted jail delivery last September and sentenced to death, filed an appeal in the Criminal Court of Appeals.

Not Exactly.

"Were you tryin' to get me?" asked the sweet voiced Hello Girlie, breaking in on a busy line. "No," replied a sad-toned masculine voice. "No! I already have a wife of my own!"—Cappers Weekly.

Eighty per cent of Oregon farmers have telephones.

Home Hints

The Weekly Bath

Give the broom a bath in boiling suds once a week to toughen the bristles and make it last longer.

Decide at Home

Make your decisions as to future meals before going to market. Then you will order a balanced dinner and not a collection of inharmonious eatables.

Sending Flowers

Use a tin or wooden box when mailing flowers. Line the box with tissue paper, fill with blooms, avoiding any pressure on them. Sprinkle flowers with water, cover with oiled paper and adjust the lid.

Let Him Eat

Watch the weight of the growing boy and unless he is putting on too many pounds he should be allowed all the bread, butter, milk and fruit he wants, even if it is between meals Providing, of course, that this does not interfere with his eating at meals. There is no appetite that can quite equal that of a healthy, growing boy.

At the Embroidery Counter

When buying linen for embroidery it is wise to buy a full yard, even if a centerpiece is all we require at the time. The corners and left over linen comes in mighty handy for dainty doilies that may be embroidered or a crocheted edge put around them and given away at Christmas time to people whom we remember with just a small gift.

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THE HURRY BOYS

State Press in Dallas News

Mexia News: A copper mining company of Sweden, which has just celebrated its seven hundredth anniversary is believed to be the oldest established industrial concern in the world. The company was founded during the first half of the thirteenth century, and has continued ever since to play an important part in the economic life of Sweden.

The seven-hundred-year-old copper mine evidently has been owned by individuals who didn't want to take all the metal out at once. Most miners, as well as oil diggers, can't bear to think of leaving any of the precious commodity in the ground for future generations. Their idea is to hurry up and get all there is, whether it be gold, copper or petroleum. Let the next generation go hang is the motto of the hurry-up developers. Some farmers are that way, too. They believe in getting all the soil has got and letting the next man look out for himself. As was noted in this column lately, a French family has farmed the same piece of ground for more than a thousand years, father handing down the homestead to son or daughter through half a score of centuries. Supposing the first old Frenchman had worn out the farm, he might have died and never known the difference. But he knew the difference before he died, as have his son-successors down the line. That knowledge has added something to the quality of their contentment. So it is with any one who endeavors sincerely to reward later comers as well as himself. He leaves the world better for having builded rather than destroyed, for having conserved rather than wasted. The reason why there are still as big fish in the sea as were ever caught out is because it has been impossible for greedy fishermen to impoverish the ocean with fishing machines.

Miss Dorothy Parker left on the noon train Saturday to attend a dance given that night at the Dallas Country Club by Misses Alice Reynolds and Mary McLarry, also to attend a tea given by Miss Levia Blackwell. The young ladies are classmates at Ward-Belmont, Nashville, Tenn.

New Year Greetings

Ever and at all times we are appreciative of courtesies shown us, but it is at this season we pause and try to think of all the kindness shown us during the year, and in so doing, it is you of whom we think—our friends. It is our friends who have made possible our success in business and happy social hours. And to our friends we wish for the year 1924 plenty and happiness.

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Local News

S. O. Cress of Brother City was here last Friday.

J. R. Dulaney of Coolidge was in the city Saturday.

C. H. Stout of Eastland was in Mexia Friday.

E Booth of Waco was a visitor to the city Friday.

R. M. Pasden of Ennis was in the city last Friday.

J. H. Marahturn of Austin spent Friday in Mexia.

Clyde Kay of Tehuacana was in the city Saturday also

Frank Morrisal of Lake Charles was in the city last Friday.

H Shelton of Waco was a business visitor Friday to Mexia.

Mrs. Emma Peeples, of Tehuacana was in the city Saturday.

M M Bounds of Corsicana was in Mexia during last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z Rochelle are visiting this week in Marshall.

Roy Stokes of Shiloh was a visitor to the city Saturday.

Miss Lela Hardin of Corsicana was visiting in the city last Friday.

Euel Hall spent Christmas day with friends and relatives in Hillsboro.

Miss Jack Mullens is spending the week-end with relatives in Waco.

Mr and Mrs J. W. Elliott have returned from a visit to Longview.

Vernon Wood and Dick Bradley of Shiloh, were in the city Saturday.

Mrs. F P. Huchingson has returned from a visit to the old home in Marlin

Fred and F. E. Reynolds of Tehuacana were visitors to Mexia Saturday morning.

Mr and Mrs Roy Purcell are the happy parents of twins. They are both girls.

J A Thompson, chief of police in Mexia went to Fort Worth Saturday on business

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hickman and daughter have returned from a visit to Fort Worth.

W. S Banks has returned from Temple where he visited his mother during Christmas week.

Miss Radie Belle Whitely of Dallas is visiting Misses Eugene and Jack Mullens of this city

C. F. Hostetter of the Humble Oil and Refining Company and family spent Christmas in Bryan

Dr and Mrs. H. C Maxwell have returned from a visit to Mrs. Maxwell's old home in Marshall.

Mr and Mrs. W. J Sewel and son Welch, are spending Sunday with relatives and friends in Mart.

Chas. W. Kennon is spending the week-end in Waco, visiting his wife, who is in the Baptist Sanitarium

Dr and Mrs. Biggs of Tehuacana were visitors Saturday Dr Biggs is president of Westminster College.

Miss Eddie Foster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs J. E. Foster has returned from a visit to Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr and Mrs. Jno Sweatt have returned from Weatherford, where they spent part of the holidays with relatives.

Joe Unfried and Marshall Willis, of Tehuacana, were in Mexia Saturday They went from Mexia to Groesbeck.

Miss Estelle Bauder returned to this city yesterday after spending several of the Christmas holiday, at her home in Waxahachie.

Miss Eula Schulz, who is attending school in San Marcos, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Schulz.

Mr. and Mrs. Jere Cason have returned from San Antonio where they were the holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brown.

Mr. ad Mrs. Pete Carwthorn and Pete, Junior are spending the holidays very pleasantly in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sandford Smith.

Ben Stollenwerck and wife are in Sherman, according to messages received from him today. Mrs. Stollenwerck has relatives there whom they are visiting.

The Epworth League will hold its regular meeting at usual hour, 4:00 p. m. Sunday afternoon. Be sure and come and bring some one with you. —REPORTER.

Postmaster Newman reports that the amount of rainfall for November was 2.20 inches. The December precipitation has not yet been computed but will be on the first of January.

Walter Cook of Shiloh was in Mexia Saturday enroute to Groesbeck and told The News that some time in the near future there would be a test well drilled in his community.

Mrs. A. B. Moorer, one of the first women members of the board of aldermen in Charleston, S. C., never attended a political meeting till the recent campaign which led to her nomination and election.

Mrs Lamar Campbell of Bunkie, La., and Miss Alice Stevens, who is attending State University, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs A. M. Stevens on East Hopkins street.

Judge and Mrs. Owen F Watkins spent Christmas in Gatesville, where they visited relatives and friends. They made the trip in their car and according to Judge Watkins the roads were in very bad condition.

Mrs. J L Wright and three children of Denton and H. E. Wright of Fort Worth are visiting Mr. Wright's two brothers, L E. and Howard Wright and father, J. A Wright this week-end Mrs T. J. Moody of Fort Worth, who has been visiting the Wrights left for her home Saturday.

Judge G. A. Walters urges a large attendance at Sunday school Sunday morning. He is teacher for the Men's Bible Class at the First Methodist church and is anxious to close the old year with the largest attendance in the history of the class. A very helpful lesson is on the program, and Judge Walters is said to present on every occasion a splendid discourse on the subject of the day.

F. P Huchingson, local agent for the H. & T. C. railroad, states that the road master, R. M Purdue, intends raising the crossings at Commerce and Main with crushed rock covered with asphalt. This will relieve motorists and drivers of other vehicles of the troublesome bumping which attends the crossing of the rails at these points and make travel much easier. The crossing at Commerce has already been raised with the rock but Mr. Purdue intends to make it even better by adding the asphalt.

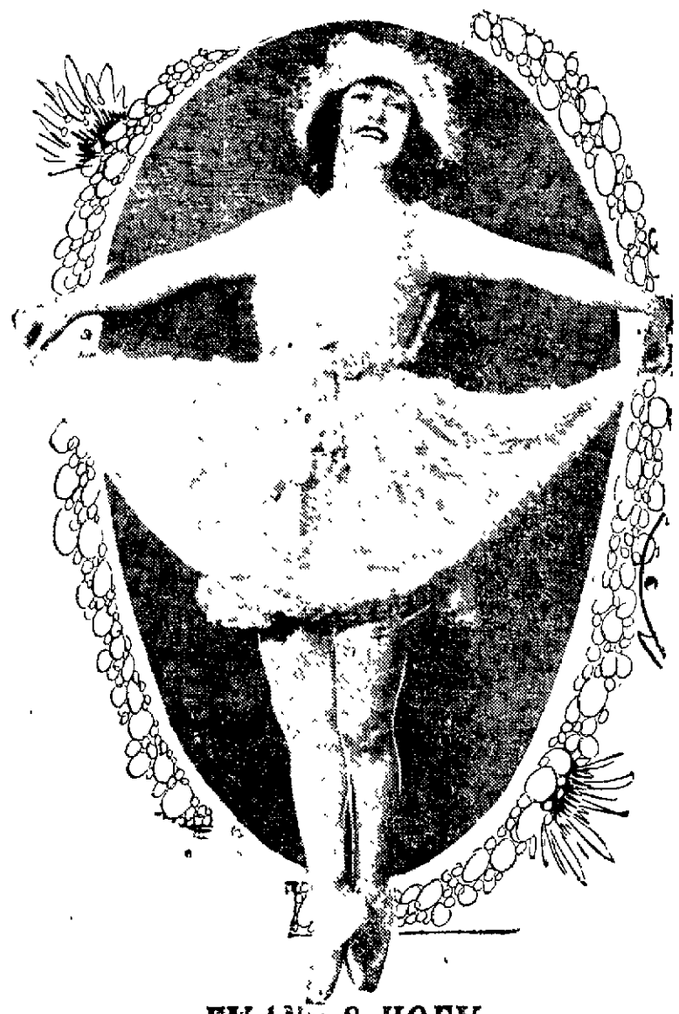
What Was Yours?

We believe Harry Comstock of Texas, had the most terrible experience of any American during 1923 Harry climbed a hollow tree, fell down inside and couldn't get out He was imprisoned, without food or water, for 10 days before a searching party rescued him What was the worst experience you ever had? How does it compare with Harry's living nightmare? —Cappers Weekly.

A Budding Financier

Clif Stratton's oldest boy has already developed financial ideas The other day he and his little brother got a gift of candy. "Now," said the older boy, "you are 2 years old, so you get two candies, and I am 5 and I'll take five." The 2-year-old didn't understand it exactly, but having great confidence in his older brother he stood for it—once.—Cappers Weekly.

Undecided as to a gift for New Year? See the oil painting in window at John R. Corley.



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FLAGSHIP TO GUARD U.S. HONDURAS INTERESTS

DELEGATES ARE ON WAY HOME AFTER MEET ON RULES

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 29.—Delegates to the National Collegiate Athletic Association convention here started for their homes today somewhat puzzled as to how they stood on their difference with the Amateur Athletic Union over the case of Charles Paddock, Pacific coast sprinter.

In a resolution adopted by the convention late last night after executive session and considerable other discussions, the N. C. A. A. declared its rights to determine the eligibility of college students to participate in intercollegiate meets anywhere and then in the next paragraph recognized the right of the American Olympic committee to delegate its authority of determining eligibility to anyone it chose.

The coaches and athletic directors here for the conference were agreed that the action had averted a definite break between the two controlling bodies of amateur athletics and indicated that the differences existing were to be ironed out diplomatically.

The resolution followed a suggestion of General Palmer Pierce, of New York, president of the association, that Paddock apply for reinstatement to the A. A. U. and that the whole matter be thrashed out in that way.

The convention closed last night after a number of discussions by prominent coaches and directors on various phases of athletics.

Football coaches of the country remained today for their annual convention which will be featured by a discussion of rules and officials.

Ten Girls Are Missing After Riotous Night

DELEWARE, Ohio, Dec. 29.—Seventy-five girl inmates were under guard of special deputies in the institution's gymnasium and ten others were missing today following a night of rioting at the State Girl's Industrial School on the outskirts of Deleware.

Disorders which broke out when inmates of Cottage No. 11 declared two of their companions had been too severely punished for a minor infraction of the rules, rapidly spread to Cottages No. 5 and 6.

School authorities lert control of girls in all three cottages and riot calls were flashed to the police department and the sheriff's office.

When police arrived approximately 120 young girls were running about in the school yard throwing stones through windows and defying school guards to stop them.

Sewing machines, chair and talking machines were flying through windows of the upper stories, police said. Half a dozen girls were slightly injured by broken glass. Furnishing of the cottages were wrecked.

Police and sheriff's deputies succeeded in driving 75 of the rioters into the gymnasium. They ordered the school orchestra to start playing dance music in the hope that the girls would become exhausted dancing. But the rioters paid no attention to the music.

School authorities said early today some of the girls in the gymnasium were lying about on mats sleeping but that about fifty of them were still in an uproar, apparently intent on damaging the gymnasium as much as possible.

The condition of the residence cottages will make it impossible to return the incorrigible inmates to their regular rooms.

Posses of special guards recruited at the industrial school were searching highways leading out of Delaware for traces of the missing inmates.

Mrs. Margaret Elton, superintendent of the school, said she had not completed her check-up and that she did not know the names of the girls who succeeded in escaping.

The three cottages involved housed the most violent of the 500 girls kept at the school, she said. Most of them were parole violators and girls who had been returned to the school after previous escapes.

The matron of Cottage No. 11, where the disturbance started, was out for the evening, Mrs. Elton said.

THE WEATHER

East Texas—Sunday unsettled, probably rain in east; colder in the north.

West Texas—Sunday partly cloudy except probably snow in Panhandle. Cold wave in Panhandle.

ROSSON TEST TO DRILL DEEPER

It is understood that the Big Williams test on the Rosson will be drilled deeper with a rotary, as soon as the standard rig may be changed.

LEEDS BRINGS HIS PRINCESS HOME.

William D. Leeds, Princess Xenia's Prince Dimitri

Tired of life in Europe, William B. Leeds, son of the former "Tin Plate King," whose mother afterward became Princess Anastasia, o Greece, has returned to America with his wife, who was Princess Xenia descendant from the Russian royalty. They were accompanied by Prino Dimitri, a Russian refugee.

HEAD OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON FOR THE STATE UNIVERSITY

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 29.—Dr. J. A. Udden, head of the economic geology division of the Bureau of Economic Geology and Technology at the University of Texas, has gone to Washing ton, D. C., to attend a meeting of the Geological Society of America. He will read a paper before the society on a deposit of a laminated formation he has discovered in Culberson county. He believe sthat this deposit will give an important clue to the measuring of geologi time in units of years.

While in Washington, Dr. Udden will report on the study of sedimentation to the National Research Council. He is a member of one of the committees of this organization.

Dr. Udden will also address the Association of State Geologists at one of their meetings. He was specially invited by Wilber A. Nelson, secretary of the Association of State Geologists, to speak before that body.

NEW YEAR TO BE USHERED IN BY COLD WAVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Winter will arrive in earnest next week. The new year will be ushered in by a cold snap which will extend from coast to coast, and bring freezing temperatures as far south as Florida by Tuesday night, the Weather Bureau forecast.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

NEW YORK.—Sailor Friedman, Chicago lightweight, won a 10-round decision from Johnny Clinton, New York. Johnny Curtin, New Jersey bantamweight, won a 10-round decision from Frankie Jerome, New York.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Billy Miske, well known heavyweight boxer, is critically ill with brights disease and is not expected to recover.

MILWAUKEE.—Joe Burman, Chicago bantamweight, was outpointed by Ernie Gooseman, Milwaukee, in ten rounds.

SCRANTON, Pa.—Lew Tendler, Philadelphia lightweight, won a ten round decision from Pep O'brien, of Scranton.

PARIS.—Mascart, Paris featherweight, was declared European champion by the International Federation, succeeding Eugen Criqui, who retired.

NEW ORLEANS.—Young Marullo, local boxer, knocked out Steve Chomiski, Milwaukee, in the first round of a scheduled 15-round bout at the Tulane A. C. here last night.

ATLANTA.—Sailor Darden, negro middleweight of Boston, was outpointed by Tiger Flowers, Atlanta negro.

Bruce Purifoy is now planning to enter Southern Methodist University for the remainder of the college session. He has been with the Humphreys Oil Company for almost two years, during which time he has formed many fine friendships in this community. Just prior to the holidays he resigned his position, going to his home in Arkansas for the Christmas period, and will report from there to the big institution at Dallas. The best wishes of many attend this young man in the pursuance of life's ambitions to a worthy goal.

Miss Ora Phillips left Saturday at noon to return to her school duties at Haynesville, Louisiana. Her father, J. E. Phillips accompanied her as far as Dallas.

What's better to beautify the home than fine paintings. See "On the Scent" painted by J. Evans, Houston, in window at John R. Corley.

Rickard Calls Off Card For January Third

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Denied a license to stage wrestling in Madison Spare Gadren, Tex Rickard has called off arrangements he made for a wrestling card on Jan. 3, and will make no further efforts to mix in the grappling game.

Rickard would not comment today on the surprising action of the Boxing Commission. The commission based its action, it is understood, on the belief that there is not enough good material to keep Jack Curley's licensed club going.

Reports in political circles that efforts were being made to "get" Rickard were made very significant by the refusal of the commission to allow the Madison Square Garden promoter to extend his field.

Complaint was made last summer that Rickard had obtained a monopoly by securing control of Madison Square Garden, the New York Velodrome and the Polo Grounds and by blocking attemps to use the big armories here for boxing.

More than half of the working newspapermen in New York are now barred out of the Garden press box by the ruling of the commission that seats near the judges on two sides of the ring can not be occupied. This action has been interpreted in some political circles as being an attempt to get Rickard "in bad" with the newspapers as well as to retaliate for the criticisms of the commission by most of the boxing writers.

ODE TO THE PARTING YEAR

By OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

Thou lisp'ring breath of departing year
How thy dogmas brood meditation?
Of days sunshine, of gladsome cheer,
Of somber nights' sad gloom or fear
In life's sweet song or lamentation.

Thou silent consort of Father Time!
Muted mocker of man's woe or weal!
Fair beauty's scenes or love sublime
Nor broken plights or damning crime
Thy joy or pity shall never feel.

Gay Guller! how long will you beguile
Grim sepulchre's hallucination?
For should we know that all the while
In somber night you changed your style
In pursuance of your destination?

The whole world repines at your demise
Immortal Keeper of life's dim scroll.
Of sainted heroes, of good and wise,
Of human sorrows or plebians cries
Unheeding thou to sheer fate of soul.

Yet when you've passed our thoughts are turned
To memory's vault in deep contrition;
To heights achieved, to lessons learned,
In that brief space the fires that's burned
Upon the altar of our ambition.

Still thou alone untouched, unmoved,
To devious trends of destiny;
To and fro thru Time's Hall you've roved
Thy legions on its walls have groved
Vigil's record of eternity.

JAPAN'S CABINET QUITS TWICE IN 48 HOURS

TOKIO, Dec. 29.—The Japanese cabinet resigned for the second time within forty-eight hours, as the result of humiliation following the attempted assassination of the prince regent. The resignation was refused by the prince yesterday.

A BARGAIN AT THAT

The bonus bill is back in Congress. Capital, fearing to be taxed, tells you with tears in its eyes, "It will cost 70 millions of dollars next year if you give the soldiers their bonus."

Another year of war would have cost 50,000 million dollars. The men that went across, lost their jobs and watched the prosperous people profiteering, prevented that.—Arthur Bisbane.

THANK PROHIBITION

The great improvement in business which followed the war was very largely the result of the influence of prohibition and the salvage of our former waste of 2 billion dollars or more each year due to liquor traffic. I know of no other way to account for the great impetus in home building, the tremendous numbers of new automobiles purchased, the larger volume of department store sales, accompanied at the same time by a continued swelling of savings bank deposits, when the tendency of business as a whole should normally have been downward.—Roger W. Babson.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. W. B. Andrews will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

This is the last Sunday of the year. If it were your last Sunday on earth, what would you do?

Settle your account with God.

Gas Explosion Causes Injury To Four Men

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 29.—Four men were injured when a gas well brought in at Alma, about ten miles north of here late Friday afternoon, exploded last night.

A. L. Olinger.
Bert Bell.
Jim Hill.
Alonzo M. Thiebedeau, a driller of Fort Smith, sustained serious burns and probable internal injures.

The well burst into flames and a column of fire rushing through a five-inch casing shot 700 feet into the air, lighting the country for twenty miles around. The well is said to be a 20,000,000 feet producer. It is still blazing.

Bootleggers Work In Mysterious Ways

PORT ARTHUR, Txas, Dec. 29.—Bootleggers work in mysterious ways their duties to perform.

Hotly pursued by police after they had caught him making a sale, a negro bootlegger hired a negro to pull a fire alarm box, hoping to detract the attention of the pro agent. They left the fire to the firemen however, but in spite of this the man escaped.

Police believe they are on the trail of the black who pulled the alarm, they say he got $5 for the job.

FRED HOFSTETTER DIED IN SAN ANTONIO

Mr. Fred Hofstetter of San Antonio died at his home Friday night at 8:30 and was buried in San Antonio Saturda afternoon. Deceased married a daughter of Mrs. Dick Ward of our city, and had many friends here who will regret to learn of his untimely death which was due to heart trouble of long standing.

O. Thompson left Saturday for Dallas.

Noted British Publisher Is Touring America.

Lord Beaverbrook

The Right Honorable Lord Beaverbrook, owner and publisher of a large number of the most influential dailies in Great Britain, has arrived in New York for another tour of America.

BOLL WEEVIL IS WORST PEST OF ALL

CINCINNATI, Dec. 29.—Science's part in exterminating the boll weevil was outlined by Dr. N. E. McIndoo before the Entomoligical Society of America, meeting here. He declared that the boll weevil is costing the world more than any other insect. He declared the weevil had sense of smell and was attracted to the cotton plant by gas believed to be given off by the plant, and is guided to the plant by the odor, he believed.

Texas Is Among The Prosperous States of Union

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 29.—From information received at State headquarters here of the Texas State Manufacturers Association, it can be be stated that the year about to close has been most successful and satisfactory to the Manufacturing Interests of the State as a whole. In commenting on the industrial growth of Texas and its future industrial possibilities, G. M. Kneble, Executive Vice-President and Manager of the Texas State Manufacturers Association stated: "Never in the history of Texas has there been so much development and expansion along industrial lines. New Manufacutring plants representing the investments of hundreds of millions of dollars, have been, and are under construction in all sections of our great State. Many of the established industries have made large improvements and others are planning vast improements during 1924." Commenting further on the future industrial development of the State, Mr. Knebel said: "What we need most at this particular time is to sell Texas to our home people; for the eyes of the whole country are turning towards Texas and its unlimited possibilities. We are one of the most propesrous states in the Union, and the most prosperous in the entire South. As the largest state in the Union we have a land area of 262,398 square miles. In 1900 our population was 3,048,710 and in 1920 it was 4,663,228 thus giving us 5th place as to population. In 1900 the value of our Texas manufactured products was $92,894,433 and in 1920 it was $99,996,000. In 1900 we produced 836,039 barrels of petroleum, and in 1920 we produced 96,000,000 barrels, and druing 1922 we produced 116,670,000 barrels. The total value of the farm crops of Texas in 1900 was '166,965,000 and in 1920 it was $1,071,527,000. Our cotton crop in 1900 amounted to 2,186,000 bales and in 1920 it was 4,345,000 bales, and in the year just coming to a close Texas produced over four million bales of cotton, or a total of about 43 per cent of the entire cotton production of the United States. In 1900 our Bank deposis amounted to $52,683,742 and in 1920 they reached the vast sum of $803,211,000.

In 1900 our common school expenditures were $4,465,200 and in 1920 they were $31,876,000. In 1900 our assessed property value was $914,-007,634 and in 1920 it was $3,390,-000,000. In 1900 our railroad milage was 9,992 and in 1920 it was 16,168 miles. We have a coast line of nearly 500 miles where ships call and carry our products to the ports of the world. With all of this most wonderful growth, we must say that the surface of the State has barely been scratched. Texas invites a most interesting field to men of vision and capital."

Revolution Is Said To Be Brewing There

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The Flagship Rodiester of the "Special Service" squadron, was ordered to the coast of Honduras, where the political situation has created danger of a revolution, the State Department nanounced. The warship will protect American interests. The Honduras minister said his government denied reports that Honduras troops had invaded Nicaraugua.

MYSTERY OF THE SKIES REMAINS COMPLETE

By WEBB MILLER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Dec. 29.—France's mystery of the skies remained complete today.

At 9:40 a. m., the Ministry of Marine said:

"No additional information has been received regarding the fate of the dirigible Dixmude. There is no confirmation of reports that additional bodies of the crew have been found. The only body recovered is that of the commander."

The huge dirigible, turned over to France by Germany at the armistice ending the World War, has been missing since late Saturday.

All France continued in the wildest speculation of what may have happened aboard the giant dirigible, which set off on her fateful voyage eleven days ago. The ship was under command of Captain Du Plexis De Grenada with fifty men aboard, crew and passengers.

The body of the commander was picked up yesterday off the Northern coast of Sicily, more than 200 miles east and north of where the dirigible was last sighted.

Attention was directed today to an article which the commander printed in 1920, in the Technical Review l'Aeronautique just after he had piloted the big ship from Germany to France.

The captain pointed out that time certain dangers in the construction of the Dixmude, then the German L-72, and said:

"Talk of a voyage of 15,000 kilometers with passengers to America is foolish.

"The Dixmude was not built for such a cruise. It is far from being a perfect model of a giant aerial cruiser. It needs much greater resistance, endurance and solidity.

"The Dixmude was built for war service in raids only. She was not intended for long intensive use."

TOULON, France, Dec. 29.—A grim old Frenchman is standing guard at the little home where the widow of Captain De Grenada, commander of the Dixmude, whose body was found in the sea, awaits the birth of a child. The widow has not been told of her husband's death. The father of the commander stands guard against the hordes of curious, while the expectant mother, ignorant of her husband's fate, knits baby's clothes. This flight was to have been his son's last, according to the father, who said De Grenada was to have been promoted to more important work.

DELEWARE, Ohio, Dec. 29—Four of the ten girls, inmates, who escaped in an all night riot at the Girls' Industrial School, were captured, officials of the institution announced. Seventy five girls imprisoned in the school gymnasium are still in a frenzy after twenty four hours of milling around, destroying windows and furniture. Sheriffs deputies on guard at the gymnasium were kept busy dodging missels hurled at them by the girls.

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Peggy Chappelle, 22, was killed instantly, and Lucille King, 19, died this morning as the result of an automobile crash last night. Two men companions, Robert McGrory and D. L. O'Connor, were injured. The automobile crashed under the wheels of a switch engine on a grade crossing. The locomotive was standing still. Two weeks ago Mrs. Chappelle attempted suicide because her pal, Irene Irwin, ended her life by drinking poison.

Not every person that really appreciates oil paintings, those who appreciate it will enjoy seeing "On the Scent" in window at John R. Corley.

Hughes Favors Legion Memorial Building For Mexia And Suggests Meeting On Subject January 10

The following open letter has been received by the News from J. K. Hughes of this city in regard to the proposal made by J. Desenberg to build a war memorial building and city auditorium in this city:

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 29, 1923.

Mexia Daily News,
Mexia, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I have read with interest the interview of Mr. J. Desenberg published in the December 18th issue of your paper wherein Mr. Desenberg suggests that we join hands with the Nowlin Post of the American Legion and build a Veterans Memorial Building in Mexia.

I am very interested in the American Legion and the work that it is doing in the city and I feel that the American Legion is an organization that every citizen of the community can lend his support and be assured that the organization will be a great factor in the civic uplift of our city and will be a strong medium for the teaching of Americanism among our citizens. I would like to see the American Legion have a home all its own and would like to see this home be such a home that it can be used as a public auditorium and be a place that the citizens of Mexia might gather and be large enough to accommodate a large number of persons. Mexia needs a public auditorium and having one would be a great asset to her.

I agree with Mr. Desenberg that this matter should receive immediate attention and I suggest that just as soon as the business men of Mexia have completed their inventories and have the business rush incident to the first of the year off their hands that Mr. Desenberg call a meeting of the citizens of Mexia to go into the matter of building the Memorial Building and get it under way. I would think that January 10th would be as early as this meeting could be held for the business men of the city will not have time before that date to give it serious consideration. I want to see a memorial home built in Mexia, and I feel sure that when the Mexia business men get behind it, one will be built which will be a great credit to our city.

Very truly yours,
J. K. HUGHES.

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WHEN YOU ARE SIXTY-FIVE

Collection of figures concerning the financial history of many men makes it comparatively easy to estimate the probable financial rating of a man when he reaches sixty-five.

The American Bankers' Association has discovered that out of 100 young men entering business at twenty-five only one will be wealthy and three well off at sixty-five. Of the total, thirty-six will have died and fifty-four who reach sixty-five will be dependent on relatives or the state for their support, having made money and lost it.

What of the thirty-six who have died? Men give less thought to their future life than to provision for the families they will leave behind. They know that the only treasure they can take beyond the grave is that which they have laid up in heaven through the good they have done on earth. Their stocks and bonds will be no good in St. Peter's realm.

Church attendance from twenty-five to sixty-five will not insure eternal salvation, for some great sinners have used church attendance as a cloak for their evil acts. But regular church attendance does expose one to the ideals which when put into practice, together with belief on the Lord Jesus Christ, will insure a man's future happiness.

Business experts can help but little on the future life, but every pastor in this city is a spiritual expert. Seek one just as you would a financial advisor. Start to church today.

YOU AND YOUR BUTCHER

Somewhere in this city is a book or similar record which you would like to see, but probably never will. Your butcher, grocer and tailor have seen it. They know what it says about you.

The book contains the credit rating of you and your family.

If you pay your bills in full on the first of the month the book says so. If you are dilatory, that record is set down. and if in the past you have tried to evade payment of just debts, every tradesman in town knows it. The storekeeper may greet you with a smile when you enter his place of business, but he knows just how long he will have to wait for payment for the goods he permits you to have.

Whether St. Peter keeps a record of your good and bad deeds, or whether he delegates that to an assistant, no one is able to say. But most persons believe some sort of record is being kept of the promises we break, the good impulses we stifle, the ideals we smother.

But if our record for the past year has been worse than we would wish, we can make a better one this year. We can stop being sullen, gruff and evil-minded. St. Peter's rating of our acts for last year need not continue for this twelve-month. The new calendar pad presents tangible evidence of the unspotted pages before us.

Regular church attendance will help strengthen your good impulses and check the evil ones. Attend some church regularly all this year.

"Forgetting the things which are behind . . . I press forwarrd."

Community Power and Light Company Purchased Plant at Teague And Is Now Making Improvements At Mexia

COMMUNITY POWER

From Dallas comes the information that the Community Power and Light Company has purchased the power plant at Teague. The announcement was made Friday by Fred A. Jones of Dallas, President of the Company which operates a chain of electric and other utility plants in this part of Texas. The consideration was not stated.

A power line is now being built by the Community Power and Light Company from Marlin through to Mexia to Teague. Central offices will be maintained at Marlin instead of at Mexia. The plan provides for the linking together of all the units of the company.

Mr. Jones also stated that his company would electrify the ice plant at Teague, one of its properties, and that additional machinery was being installed in the Mexia plant.

When the work planned is completed some fifteen towns grouped about Marlin as the Central supply point will be served by the Community Company, which was formed a few months ago after a consolidation of the light and power properties at Mexia and Marlin.

A lower power rate was promised for Mexia several weeks ago, which is to become effective, it is learned on the first of January, 1924. The Marlin rate is understood to be the one to be applied here.

According to city officials when negotiations were in progress, Mexia, it was understood, was to be the Central office for the company.

New Year Greetings

It has been said that Friendship in Business counts Much.

We are grateful for yours—you people of Mexia and surrounding territory.

For the year 1924 we wish for you Prosperity and Happiness.

The Style Shop
105 South Sherman St.

DIVORCE PRODUCT

By WICKES WAMBOLDT

A young man said bitterly to me one day, "I'm a mess. I'm a divorce product. My father and mother split up when I was three years old. The court gave me into my mother's custody, but I was to spend part of my time with my father.

"My mother never missed a chance to take a crack at my father and my father's people. If they had any faults real or imaginary I knew about them. She made light of the traditions of his part of the country and I grew up with the idea that his end of the proposition was pretty worthless. And then when I was with my father I got the same impression about my mother and her folks.

"How could I under such tutelage obey the injunction, 'Honor thy father and thy mother'? I was taught to do just the opposite. And so," he continued, "here I am a man and I am without the glorious heritage of pride in relationship on either side. I can take no more satisfaction in reviewing my ancestry than a mule.

"Undoubtedly in a general way my kin have no more flaws than anybody else's kin, but all I know is the flaws. They are all damaged goods to me and I am a product of damaged goods.

"By golly," he said with determination, "there is only one thing left for me to do. I'm going to find me the right kind of little girl and I'm going ten thousand miles away from the whole bunch and I'm going to set up a little family of my own as permanent as the Rock of Gibraltar and I'm going to be an ancestor myself. And believe me," he added, "my kids are going to be proud of their ancestor too."

That young man was absolutely correct.. It is a glorious heritage to have had a happy home and to have been raised by harmonious parents who respect each other's kinsfolk and who if they don't have the same traditions can see that which is good and beautiful in each other's traditions, and who magnify the virtues and minimize the failings of each other.

It is a great thing for a boy to grow up thinking, "My dad is the finest man in the world," and "if my mother had been Eve we would all be in the Garden of Eden today."

One cannot fool the children. They have eyes to see and ears to hear. They may love wrangling carping parents, but they do not respect them. And if they do take them as examples more's the pity.

Lucky is the boy who can pay reverent tribute to the morals, the motives, and the manners of his progenitors.

The Greatness of Little Things

By A. Garland Adair

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

In 1824—

Abraham Lincoln, a lad of fifteen years, was working on a ferrbyboat on the Ohio for $6 a month.

The Marquis of Lafayette visited America, and was received with tremendous acclaim by crowds of cheering people wherever he went.

Steam ferries were operated for the first time between New York and Brooklyn.

An epidemic of yellow fever was raging in Louisiana.

The manufacture of flannel by water power was first started at Amesbury, Massachusetts.

An English bricklayer named Joseph Aspdin, took out a patent for a material he called "portland cement" naming it "portland" because when it hardened it resembled a gray stone found on the Isle of Portland off the coast of England. The name has stuck ever since and the modern portland cement industry has been developed from Aspdin's discovery.

The Erie canal, connecting the Great Lakes with New York, was rapidly nearing completion. The first steamboat passed through the canal from Rochester to Albany.

Anthracite coal was used for the first time in New York.

The Colorado beetle, commonly known as the potato bug, made its appearance in Wisconsin.

The first three-story brick house had just been completed in Brooklyn, N. Y. The town had a population of 7,000. The houses had just been numbered and some of the streets paved.

M. Niepce, a Frenchman, working with his countryman Daguerre, discovered the science that led to the invention of the daguerreotype in 1838.

CITIZENSHIP

Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

Who are citizens of the United States?

All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the States wherein they reside.

(Fourteenth Amendment)

The good citizen is loyal.

If our country is to become greater and better, her citizens, from the cradle to the coffin, must be loyal, and devotedly faithful, in every relation of life.

Therefore, let our resolves be to be loyal to our home and all those institutions that serve to insure domestic tranquility, loyal to our home community, to our state, to our nation, and to humanity, bearing constantly in mind that they who obey the lows of loyalty obey all the other laws of the Good American.

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Our books are closed for the month. All charged purchases made Monday will be payable February 1st.

GENE SINCLAIR
GOOD SHOES - HOSIERY

COUNTY JUDGE H. F. KIRBY ANNOUNCES FOR REELECTION

In announcing for re-election to the office of County Judge it might be well for me to review my record as such for the past three years, but will not at this time burden the citizenship with a lengthy argument to convince them why I am seeking their favor in maintaining me in the present official capacity as their County Judge

But there are various reasons why I am anxious to be re-elected to the high office I now hold. Achievements of large proportions have been undertaken and are now under way and while I am not claiming that I am the only one that could bring them to a successful close, as that would be the act of an egotist, I do think the change should not be made at this time.

The State Highway Department at Austin would rejoice if myself along with every other County Judge in Texas who dares to oppose their nefarious methods, could be defeated, and they will use every underhanded scheme known to cheap politics to accomplish their aims.

There are those in this County who have criticized me severly for my opposition to that Department of our government, but most of those fellows are either misinformed or are believers in government by boards, bureaus and commissions. Of coure those who believe that this government should be centralized at Austin and Washington, and believe that the people should not control their own local affairs think that the State Highway Commission of Texas should be granted the power to do just as they please; that they should not be molested.

Evidently a majority of the last legislature thought so as a law was enacted at the request of the said Highway Commission increasing the license fees on automobiles almost two thirds and giving all the increase of the fees so collected to the Highway Department at Austin in order that they might spend more money in the West Texas counties that are probably not paying $500.00 each year as automobile fees, and are having their highways constructed with money coming by law from such counties as Limestone County.

I have contended all along that it is unfair to this county, that Limestone County should have its own money to spend on its own roads and not have to furnish money to build roads in West Texas. The County tax collector informs me that approximately $125,000 will be collected from those who own automobiles. Now, Limestone County will only retain a little better than $30,000 of this money. If Limestone County could retain all of this $125,000 in a few years we could have good roads leading to every town in the County, thereby enabling farmers to reach the markets better with their products.

But those advocates of surrendering everything to the Highway Commission at Austin, will at once contend that to give the Highway Commission all of the money collected from the automobile owners and the control of the highways, that we will be paid back in the way of State and Federal aid, and that by so doing, they can build a connected system of highways—but, a connected highway for who? Why, for tourists only. Yes, and not for the farmers of the county who live off the highway. They are the ones who pay the burden of taxes in this country; they are entitled where they are paying an increase in automobile fees to have roads built in order that they may reach the markets with their products.

The Highway Commission at Austin does not care a snap for the fellow who lives in the interior of the country or the county, and mind you they are not elected by the people, but are appointed to office, while the County Judge and the Commissioners are elected by the people. The people have some recourse on officials who they elect, but have no say whatever over any board, bureau and commission.

What I have said about the Highway Commission applies to the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, at Fort Worth, but I cannot at this time, for want of space cover this subject but later on I will give you my views on their nefarious acts.

Both of the above boards want all County Judges to bow to their wishes and demands in seeking to extract from the people their control over their own local affairs. I say it in all candor and truth they want all of us defeated, and they hope by so doing they can elect some one whom they can control.

I will not at this time say more, as I have already taken too much space. I can do little towards helping things in general, only to tell the people of this County what is facing them. The trouble is with the Legislature in legislating away from the people power to control their own local affairs; but I will say that I oppose government by boards, bureaus and commissions, and in favor of government by the people; and if you see fit to continue me in office I promise to keep up the fight.

Respectfully,
H. F. KIRBY.

Mexia Gun Club Plans Shoot on New Years Day

The Mexia Gun Club will hold a new years shoot January the first in which the public is cordially invited to participate. There will be several prizes given and two men out of every five that shoot will be rewarded.

Shooting beings promptly at 2:00 p. m.

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ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

By SHYBOOTS

On the way down town this morning, I walked with C. L. Tatum and Frank Bolton. That is, Mr. Tatum and I walked together and Mr. Bolton lead the way. He's quite a leader, you Shriners and Elks well know. Besides he needed the room.

The conversation drifted into the subject of marriages. Mr. Tatum said, "do you know that Miss So and So married this week and didn't say a thing to me about it when I went to see her last week?"

"Too bad! too bad!" was all the remark that I could make.

With his legal turn of mind and following the lawyer's instinct to give advice, good or bad, Mr. Bolton said: "Well, Tatum, I just wouldn't go to see her anymore."

Mr. Tatum didn't say anything. So I asked Mr. Bolton if any member of his family had ever made a brilliant marriage.

"Only my wife," he replied.

About that time we reached Tom photographer Tom Meador's display at the corner of Commerce and Central Avenue. The window had a picture of Mr. Bolton astride a mule, dressed up for a Karem ceremonial.

Frank paused a moment and asked "That's a good picture of me, isn't it?"

To this Mr. Tatum replied:

"Sure it looks something like you, but who is that on your back?"

I considered they were even, so I dropped behind to have a word with the Mayor, who was examining the street to see if the pavement was still there. While we were making the examination, a party of young ladies came across Commerce. They were all strangers to the Mayor and me, but we concurred in a statement made by Jesse McLendon that Flo Ziegfield's Follies must be in town. They were charming as young ladies usually are and attired a la mode.

The Mayor simply remarked: "I'm sure glad there's no dust and dirt on our streets to blow into our stores and obstruct our vision." Then he asked, "aren't they pretty?"

Wallace Welch, by that time, was on the scene and hearing the question asked by the Mayor promptly answered: "Yes, they were given a good cleaning last night."

"We were not discussing the streets" chimed in Euel Hall at this juncture.

Seeing that Wallace had some urgent business with the Mayor, we separated and as I looked back I saw Wallace turning in a list of citizens who had headaches after Christmas day. The list may be turned over to Shyboots for his column soon.

GOLLIWOGG REVUE

Saturday, December 29th, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. the pupils of Miss Beeson and Miss Walters will give the Golliwogg Revue at the High School auditorium. Proceeds will go to the High School Library. Admission 25c and 35c. 28-2

Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

We charge 25c for all gasoline and tire service calls inside of the city limits; 50c per mile thereafter. A charge of 25c to everyone for taking off and putting on chains. Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Inc., Nos. One and Three Stations. 18-10

F. W. Brigance, Traveling Freight Agent for the St. Louis and Southwestern railroad, was a business visitor to Mexia Friday.

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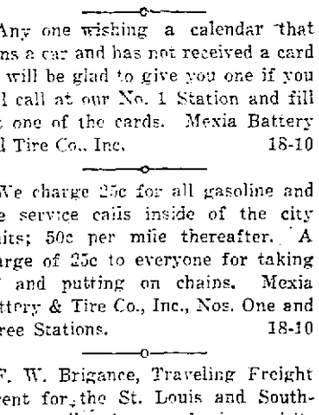

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS JR.
'Stephen Steps Out'
THEODORE ROBERTS

Patterson's Column

The year is ending. Soon every merchant will know whether his last year's plans have been a success or failure.

With us the year has been one full of work and we believe profit but whether it has been profitable or not, it has been altogether a happy year and so we bid it good bye with a feeling of regret that is tempered with the hope the New Year holds.

The most pleasant feeling that can come to any man regarding his business relation with the public, is the assurance that his customers are his friends and that nothing he has ever said or done has given them cause to regret placing their confidence in him.

Character is the basis of reputation and the wise merchant guards carefully that foundation upon which every business must rest.

No one merchant in any line can possibly do all the business. This too, is as it should be for competition is a good thing. Without competition there would be a tendency toward profiteering that would eventually wreck a business and work to the detriment of the ultimate consumer.

Again we say that we are well pleased with the years business that we have had. January 1st we remove to our New Location—between Karner and Phillips and the John R. Corley Furniture Co.—in the building now occupied by the Lawson Sewell Dry Goods Company.

We shall have a beautiful store and we invite you to continue to trade with us, promising nothing we will not cheerfully do, and doing nothing to any customer that we would not wish done to us.

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—Patterson.

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January Physical Culture Magazine February Motion Picture Magazine now on sale. Pioneer News Stand.

Through A Woman's Eyes

By SADIE KIRGAN

WHAT MAKES A WOMAN OLD?

Good Housekeeping Magazine decided to find out. The magazine asked its readers, offering a prize for the best answer. Mary Stuart Sullivan won the prize. And the most extraordinary thing about the prize-winner is that she is only 14 years old.

It all started this way. Fanny Heaslip Lea wrote an article for Good Housekeeping called "I'd be Thirty Forever." Then Dorothy Dix protested with "The Joy of Being Fifty". Carrie Chapman Catt then joined the debate with the contention that 60-plus was the golden age of woman.

And now a girl just entering high school comes along with her answer. She says that cowardice and selfishness are the two things that make women old. She says that when love and interest are crowded out of the human heart by selfishness and cowardness, everything becomes drab and unattractive and it is not long before old age has us mentally and physically in her grip. Her article appears in January Good Housekeeping.

This 14-year-old philosopher approached the problem in an interesting way. She decided to ask everybody around the house what made women old. She asked relatives and servants and she got some amusing answers.

For instance, her old colored mammy said: "Lor, honey, I mo than specs dat turrible hard work an' Ole Man Trouble am mosely 'sponsible.".

Her middle-aged uncle said: "Age is due to emotions; women are emotional creatures and give way to tears and nerves at the slightest provocation, and age collects the toll."

Said Old Uncle Jasper, the cook's better half, "Wimmin folks grows old kase they talks so much they wears theirselves out".

Her father, however, may have been the only one with the right idea for he said that ladies worry themselves into old age trying so hard to keep young.

STREET CLEANING BEGAN RECENTLY

Mexia woke up to cleaner streets Saturday morning, thanks to the boys who spent the night in sweeping them with the new street sweeper. Cleaning began as soon as the streets were vacated by the cars and continued until 5 o'clock Saturday morning when the cleaning of the business section was finished. Dust from the work was eliminated by first flushing the pavements with the fire hose.

CIVIL CASES ENTERED IN COUNTY COURT

Maryland Casualty Company vs. T. E. Adams.

B. D. Mullens vs. A. B. Richards Medicine Company.

N. P. West vs Cheeves Brothers and Company.

Federal Supply Company vs. D. S. Hoad.

C. S. and J. E. Bradley vs. Humphreys Oil Company.

Marion Machine Foundry and Supply Company vs The Texas Company.

Marion Machine Foundry and Supply Company vs D. S. Hoad.

Prendergast, Smith National Bank vs Will Echols et al. Debt.

K. O. McCraw vs E. H. Acord.

J. W. Fisher et ux vs D. M. Edwards et ux.

Jack Dodson vs H. Womack and D. P. Quesenberry. Debt.

C. C. Double vs Groesbeck and Wilson et al.

N. Hollingsworth vs. Groesbeck & Wilson.

Neyer and Kiser vs C. F. Reeves Debt.

Mary C. Webster et al vs J. W. Webster et al.

J. Altman vs W. S. Loper et al.

Prendergast-Smith National Bank vs. Mabelle Spalding et al. Debt.

H. & T. C. Railroad vs R. S. Martin.

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To all our patrons you have our best wishes and hearty thanks for your patronage, large or small.

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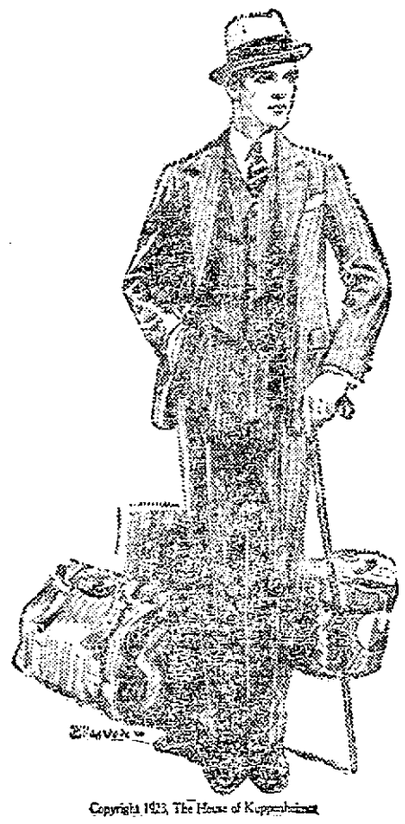

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TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

We come at the dawn of the New Year with a few words of appreciation for your splendid good will and patronage during our two years in business in Mexia. We realize that our success has been attained by the good will, co-operation and loyalty of our friends. May the year 1924 bring happiness and plenty to you is our wish.

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American Kennel Club Show Will Be During March

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—Some say dogs cannot understand the spoken word of man. Perhaps they cannot, but if some one in Boston will tell "Laddie Boy" this story there are men here who believe the shaggy Airedale will understand and appreciate it.

Each year the American Kennel Club has a dog show. This year it will be held March 11-12-13 in the Cleveland public auditorium. It is the eighth annual exhibition.

The largest entry at this show is usually composed of Airedale fine, intelligent dogs with serious eyes like "Laddie Boy." Now Harry C. Hyatt, manager of the show, knows how well the late President Harding liked dogs, and "Laddie Boy" in particular. A few days ago he and some other of the club members were talking about Mr. Harding and wishing they could do something appropriate to help honor his memory, something that meant more than a simple gift of money.

They thought of "Laddie Boy" and remembered that the Airedale entries in the 1924 show would be numerous. That gave them an idea. It was decided to donate all the profits derived from the entry of Airedale terriers to the Harding Memorial Fund.

"We hope you will accept this contribution after our show in March with our most sincere commendation of this worthy undertaking," wrote Mr. Hyatt to General C. E. Sawyer, chariman of the executive committee of the Memorial Association, in a letter telling of the club's action.

It will have been just eleven years ago on the opening day of the Cleveland show that a touching editorial appeared in the Marion "Star". "Hub" had died, and Editor Harding was paying him tribute.

"Edgewood Hub in the register, a mark of his breeding, but to us just Hub, a little Boston terrier, whose sentient eye mirrored the fidelity and devotion of his loyal heart," the editorial read. "The veterinary said he was poisoned; perhaps he was—his mute suffering suggested it. One is reluctant to believe that a human being who claims man's estate could be so hateful a coward as to ruthlessly torture and kill a trusting victim, made defenseless through his confidence in a human master, but there are such. One honest look from Hub's trusting eyes was worth a hundred lying greetings from such inhuman beings, though they wore the habiliments of man.

"Perhaps you wouldn't devote these lines to a dog. But Hub was a 'Star' office visitor nearly every day for six years in which he deepened attachment. He was a grateful and devoted dog, with a dozen lovable attributes, and it somehow voices the yearnings of broken companionship to pay his memory deserved tribute.

"It isn't orthodox to ascribe a soul to a dog—if soul means immortality. But Hub was loving and loyal, with the jealousy that tests its quality. He was reverent, patient, faithful; he was sympathetic, more than humanly so, sometimes, for no lure could be devised to call him from the sick bed of mistress or master. He minded his own affairs, especially worthy of human emulation, and he would kill or wound no living thing. He was modest and submissive where these qualities were becoming, yet he assumed a guardianship of the home he sentineled, until entry was properly vouched. He couldn't speak our language though he somehow understood but he could be and was eloquent with uttering eye and wagging tail, and the other expressions of knowing dogs. No, perhaps he had no soul, but in these things are the essence of soul and the spirit of lovable life.

"Whether the Creator planned it so, or environment and human companionship have made it so, men learn richly through the love and fidelity of a brave and devoted dog. Such loyalty might easily add lustre to a crown of immrotality."

It is small wonder "Laddie Boy" grieved the loss of a friend and master who could write from the heart like that. And having read the editorial it is not hard to share the belief of those who say "Laddie Boy" will understand.

Female Frog Has No Vocal Organs

Here's the latest in frogdom. It is a frog which carries its young kangaroo fashion except that the pouch in which the helpless tadpoles are carried is located upon the back of the mother.

This curious creature is the find of Dr. C. Kingsley Noble of the American museum of natural history during a trip of exploration in the Andes mountains of South America.

How the pouch is formed and the eggs deposited in it is a mystery.

The male of the frogs are locally called "Carpenters" from the sound which they make in calling to their mates. It is a sound made by the vocal organs and closely resembles the knocking of a hammer. The female has no vocal organs whatever. Members of the human race might possibly take a lesson from the habits of this frog in insuring themselves of domestic tranquility.

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Dr. Brown Leads Lions Program Friday at Noon

The Lions Club held their regular luncheon at the Majestic Cafe at twelve thirty Friday. Twenty seven members and four guests were present.

Very little business was transacted. Reports from several outstanding committees were heard on matters that still stand as unfinished business.

Lion Hughes, president of the club made a short talk and urged that there be full attendance next Friday. He stated that some very important matters would come up before the club at that time.

Mrs. E. M. Strange rendered several vocal selections with Mrs. Ira Needham at the piano. Piano numbers were rendered by Miss Josie Lee Maddox and readings by Miss Maddox.

The meeting was short and lifelike. In fact members state that a new slogan has been taken up by the club which stresses beginning and ending the meetings on time regardless of what is before the meetnig. The luncheon and the program is scheduled to occupy one hour, beginning at 12:30 and ending at 1:30.

Dr. M. M. Brown led the very interesting program. In the absence of Jerry Cason, the secretary of the club, Sam Werner acted as secretary.

Soviet Children Christened In The Factories

By JOHN GRAUDENZ
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MOSCOW. (By mail to U. P.)—How would you like to have your child called Spartak, Interna, Marx, October, Lenin, or even "Kim"? That is the way true communists christen their youngsters—not in church, however, because a good communist cannot be a communist and religious at the same time.

This "Communistic Christening," it is called, takes place in the factories, the factory council playing at the same time the roles of the priest and the godfather, or godmother, if you like.

The father brings the child to the factory, where he inscribes the little one's name in the Komsomol, or the communistic youth internationale. Speeches are made, songs sung and drinks passed around. The Russian insists in having some ceremony with everything.

HALIFAX, N. S.—A gold brick weighing about 150 ounces and valued at $3,000 was brought to Halifax recently by E. S. R. Smith, general manager of the Clark Gold Mines Corporation, Matague, Halifax County.

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Mexia Shrine Club To Elect Officers Thursday

Full Attendance Of Members Urged For That Occasion; Club Plans Helpful Year

According to the by-laws of the Mexia Shrine Club, the annual election of officers will take place on the first Thursday in January which is Jan. 3rd.

Notices are being mailed by the Secretary to all members of the club in good standing who are eligible to vote and calling attention to the election of a president, first, second, and third vice-presidents, a secretary and a treasurer.

All shriners in this section desiring to affiliate with the club are invited to get in touch with S. B. Werner, Secretary, who will provide them with the necessary application blank, thereby entitling them to a voice in the election and the affairs of the club.

Much new blood has been added to the club during the year closing and it is hoped that some live noble may be induced to accept some responsible office in the club and that every shriner will fall in line and make Mexia feel the presence of a real live Shrine club for 1924.

A copy of the by-laws of the club are published below for the benefit of those who are not acquainted with the functions of a Shrine Club:

By-Laws of Mexia Shrine Club

Operating under the auspices of Karem Temple A. A. O. N. M. S. of North America, in the Oasis of Waco, Texas.

ARTICLE I

Sec. 1. This organization shall be known as the Mexia Shrine Club with permanent headquarters at Mexia, Texas.

Sec. 2. The object of this Shrine Club shall be to promote good fellowship among the members of the A. A. O. N. M. S. residing in and near Mexia, Texas, and advance the interest in Shrinedom in general.

Sec. 3. These rules are for the government of the Noble desiring to become affiliated with this club and are not intended to in any way conflict with the rules, by-laws, and regulations of the Imperial Council A. A. O. N. M. S. of North America and Karem Temple of Waco, Texas.

Sec. 4. These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present provided that not less than 30 days written notice of the proposed change shall be given to all members. All changes must be approved by Karem Temple before adoption.

ARTICLE II

Sec. 1. Any Noble of the A. A. O. N. M. S. of North America is eligible to membership in this Shrine Club. Applications for membership shall be made by signing the By-Laws, rules and regulations of the Club, provided that by a majority vote of the club, a proposed applicant's name may be rejected and in such case, shall be reported to the Temple in which said Noble holds membership.

Sec. 2. The officers of this Shrine Club shall be a President, 1st vice-president, 2nd and 3rd vice-presidents, Treasurer, and Secretary and shall be elected by ballot at the monthly meeting in January.

ARTICLE III

Sec. 1. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Shrine Club and in case of a tie, cast the deciding vote.

Sec. 2. In the absence of the president the 1st vice president shall preside and in the absence of the 1st vice president the 2nd vice president shall preside. No meeting can be held without at least one of three principal officers present.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall receive all money collected by the Secretary and pay all warrants approved by the club, when signed by the President and Secretary. All funds must be deposited in a bank, agreeable to the three principal officers.

Sec. 4. The secretary shall keep a correct record of the transaction of the club, attend all meetings of the club and of its committees, collect all moneys due the club and draw warrants for all bills allowed by the club. He shall receive for his services $..... per annum.

Sec. 5. The stated meetings for business shall be held on the first Thursday of each month and the annual meetings for the election of officers shall be held on the first Thursday in January. Special business meetings may be called at the option of the three principal officers and upon giving sufficient notice to all the members, stating the purpose of the special meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Sec. 1. The membership fee in this Shrine Club shall be Five Dollars.

Sec. 2. The dues shall be Six Dollars annually payable semi annually in advance.

Sec. 3. Any Noble accepting membership after January 1st shall pay the pro rata part of dues from the time he joins.

Sec. 4. Any member one year in arrears for dues shall be suspended unless he can show sufficient cause for not having paid all dues in arrears.

ARTIVLE V.

Sec. 1.—Order of Business.

1. Reading of minutes.
2. Roll Call.
3. Reading and balloting for new members.
4. Reports of committees.
5. Reading of Communications.
6. Unfinished business.
7. New business.
8. Bills and accounts.

Sec. 2.—This order of business may be departed from by a majority vote of members present.

Sec. 3.—A member that has been suspended or expelled from his Temple shall be automatically suspended from this Shrine Club until restored in his Temple.

Sec. 4.—Any member suspended for non-payment of dues may be reinstated upon payment of all dues charged against his account at time he was suspended. No dues shall be charged against him during his suspension.

Sec. 5.—Any member may be allowed the privilege of resigning upon written request to the secretary, providing said member is in good standing.

Guy Herring.
Rod Fielder
Drew Pruett
Edwin D. Dunlap
J. P. Yeldell.
By-Laws Committee.

Approved by Karem Temple A. A. O. N. M. S. this 26th day of Nov., 1921, at Waco, Texas.

W. A. Parker, Potentate.
W. T. Quebe, Recorder.

PROSPECT, Tex.—Three women were seriously burned in a fire which destroyed the Prosper high school Thursday afternoon following explosion of a gasoline engine under the stairway in the building. The women and three children were making final plans for a school entertainment when the explosion occurred. The building was immediately enveloped in flames but the women tossed the children from the second story of the structure into the arms of volunteer firemen before making their own escape.

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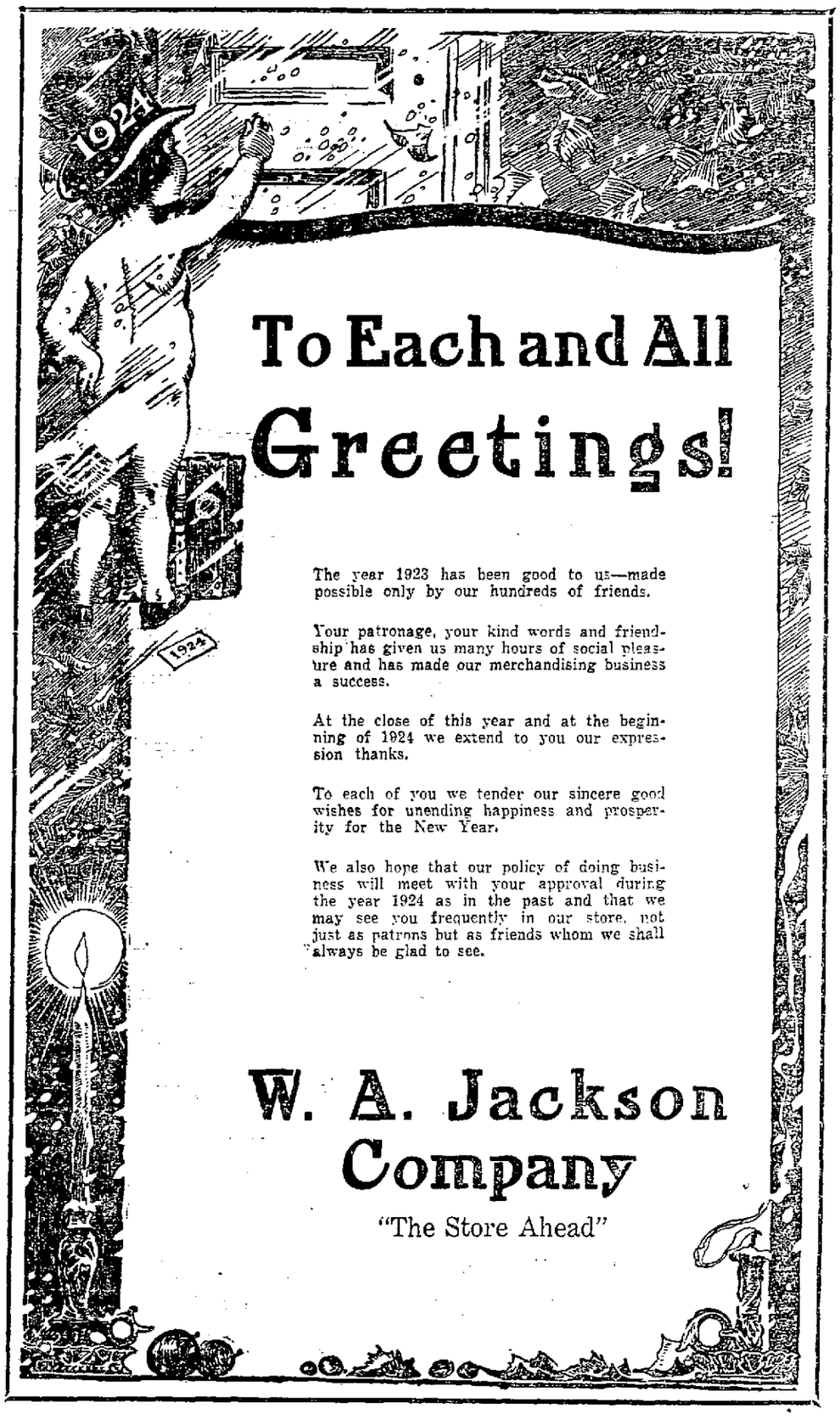

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Landis' Victory Means Four Year Peace

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—"Now for four years of peace," a major league club owner said after Commissioner Landis had floored Ban Johnson, American League president, for a long count during the recent major league meetings.

Landis has a contract that runs for four years and the owner mentioned above sought to convey the impression that as long as Landis rules, Ban Johnson will have to keep his mouth shut.

Johnson will not keep quiet, however. He has never been known to take a beating like a good sport and the humiliation of being upraided in front of sixteen club owners will, no doubt, cause him to become even more annoying in his passive resistance to the commissioner.

While it is certain that Johnson will continue to annoy the commissioner with indirect resistance, it is just as certain that he will be as badly beaten in any future attempts to overthrow the Landis regime as he was in Chicago.

Johnson is clever enough to do his fighting without exposing himself. He has the facutly and the means of getting his opinions in circulation without assuming personal responsibility for them.

He is always in the position where he can express surprise at statements attributed to him that, while originating with him, always come from other sources.

No one is in a position to say or prove that Johnson ever said anything about Commissioner Landis or did anything to annoy him, but Landis knew that Johnson was responsible for the propaganda that had been spread against his administration or he would not have removed the hide so thoroughly from Johnson's back with the whip that he can wield so well.

Johnson, it is understood, wanted Landis to itemize an expense account of $10,000 and to make an accounting for the money of the advisory council that is handled by the commissioner's office.

Landis naturally went after him for it.

The commissioner also let it be known that Johnson had misquoted several things that had been said in meetings between the commissioner and the presidents of the two big leagues and he let it be known that Johnson never would have a chance to misquote him again.

College Football Is O. K. Says Farrel

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—It was to be expected at the end of the football season that the usual dolorous wail would be sounded and the need would be pointed out of doing something to "save football."

It was hoped that the alarm would be sounded only from certain quarters that have shouted "danger" in the past. Blasts from those quarters were to be expected. And they came.

As long as there was no national cry for the need of changes to save football, the game could be considered in rather good condition, but it was the more pleasing and all the more convincing that the game is sound when such scholars as Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia, lend enthusiastic words in support of the game.

Dr. Butler said, in addressing the Columbia 'Varsity "C" club, that he felt the award of a "letter" for excellency at athletics to be as meritorious and as praiseworthy as the award of diplomas for academic work.

He said also he was of the opinion that football and athletics are an integral part of the university.

Officials of Pennsylvania University insisted that the present situation calls only for a continuation of faculty supervision and the policy of demanding high scholastic standing among the athletes that make the 'varsity teams.

As long as there are no immediate cases to consider it seems that it is only an alarmist who worries about what would happen, "if" such-and-such a thing came about.

It is impossible for the lawmakers of the game to legislate against a violation of the moral code that may happen in the future, or may be happening now.

If football ever gets in trouble it will be because of violations of honor and can be blamed directly upon the coach or the athletic officials at the university where it happens.

Ether Wakes Up Plant Life In Coldest Weather

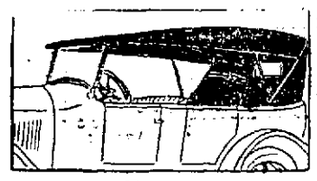
The animal family is not the only family subject to the action of dope. According to a recent discovery plants may now be listed in the category of its addicts. But with them the action of the dope is different. While a shot of ether will put any ordinary person to sleep it will wake up a plant and put it to amazing activity even in the coldest weather.

The discovery was made by Professor David Lumsden of the federal horticultural board. Only a small quantity is needed and it is given the plant either by inhalation or injection. The effect is lasting. By drugging the plants, too, every latent bud and shott is made to grow and produce, which does not occur when the plant is allowed to grow in the ordinary way.

The Professor Lumsden is experimenting to see whether or not these ether treatments do not enable the plants to resist disease. If so injections of ether will be to the vegetable world what the various forms of vaccination are to the animal world.

DALLAS.—Diamonds valued at more than $1500 were taken from D. E. Blaine by a highwayman here last night who held up Blaine as the latter started to the house after putting his car in his garage. The robber also took $390 in cash and $500 in checks from Blaine.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 28.—President Coolidge filed his formal acceptance of the republican majority in the election for president. In his declaration of acceptance he adheres to the state republican platform adopted at the convention December 4.



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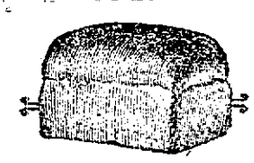

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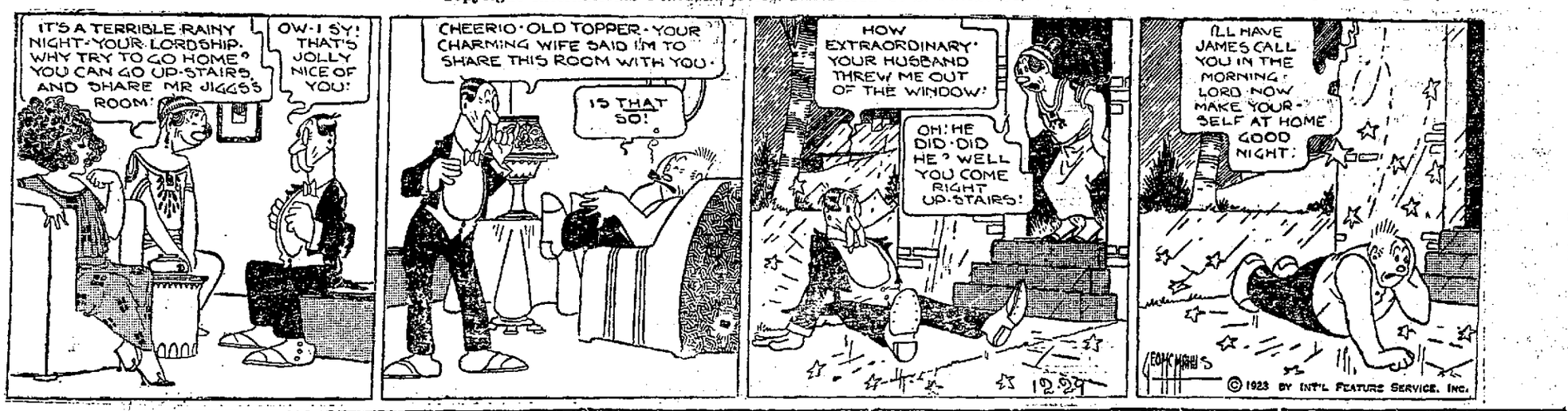
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HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—Colored cook for small family. Must be good cook and capable housekeeper. Don't apply unless you have these qualifications. Don't object to woman from country. Write Box A, 1000, Mexia Daily News, Mexia, Texas. 27A5

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LOST—Female liver and white pointer pup about seven months old. Suitable reward. Phone J. W. Lanning, 641W. 30D2

STRAYED TURKEY—Twelve pound turkey hen broke out of coop early this a. m. on East Rusk and Canton streets. If seen please phone S. B. Werner. 30D1

LOST—Between McKinney and Sherman streets, child's green velvet purse. Green gold frame. Reward for return to News office. 30D2

LOST—Between postoffice and South Belknap street Blue Serge Coat containing Ford Bill of Sale. Reward for return to W. W. Cappinger, Mexia Auto Paint Shop, W. Main st. 30D1

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WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stores, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10tf.

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FOR SALE—1910 acres of land located in Leon County about four miles south of Marquez on highway and International and Great Northern railroad. All fenced, most hog proof. About 900 acres in cultivation. Remainder mostly timbered. Six or Seven tenant houses. Plenty water. Convenient to schools. Most of land very fine. There is long time loan at low rate interest. If interester write or phone. A. F. Sledge. Tyler, Texas. 14I14

FOR SALE—J

FOR SALE—Looking for a home? I have it, a new four room bungalow, and priced to sell. Its the best bargain in Mexia today. Act quickly, its going to sell. J. P. Dunaway, 504 N. Kaufan street. 28J2

FOR SALE—Residence lots between Sumpter Street School and High School. W. D. Pittman Room 205 Pittman Building. 16J13

FOR SALE—Small building suitable for garage or servant house. O. E. Winslow, 408 East Sumpter. 27J3

FOR SALE—Start the new year off right, buy her a home, quit paying rent. I have the best bargain in a four room new bungalow in Mexia. Its priced to sell. This is the chance, its a bargain and you will agree with me when you see it. Buy from owner, J. P. Dunaway, 504 N. Kaufman street. 28J2

FOR SALE—Residence lots on West Hopkins Street. Small payment, easy terms. W. D. Pittman room 205 Pittman Building. 16J12

FOR SALE—Seven room residence, garage, servant house, barn, also sixteen room apartment house on 125 feet facing East Palestine St. 50 feet from pavement. Priced to sell. Geo. Tidwell at Tidwell's Grocery and Market. 20J7

FOR SALE CHEAP—New Chevolet Sedan. See Cox Brodnax at Farrar Lumber Company. 27J4

BARGAINS—Wardrobe Exchange—Dresses, $2; Coat suits, $7; Coats, $4; Furs, $4. All kinds of dressmaking. 213 North McKinney. 28J7

FOR SALE—New four room bungalow, located on N. Kaufman street, beautiful garden full of green stuff, priced to sell. See me if you need a home that will cost you five hundred dollars less than it will cost to build. I own this property. J. P. Dunaway, 504 N. Kaufman street. 28J2

FOR SALE—One new Chevolet Coupe at discount. Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Station No. 3. Phone 470. 28J2

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

CITY HOTEL—All outside rooms, $1 per day. Special rates by week. Corner McKinney and Palestine. 20-26

FOR RENT—Two extra well furnished apartments in well built new bungalow; water furnished, meter for lights and gas; 4 rooms and bath. Nice home for permanent tenant. $35 per month. 805 East Grayson. Phone 294. 30L2

FOR RENT—Five room house with 15 acres of land, well, good barn, young orchard; ideal location for chicken farm or small dairy. Located western edge of Mexia. G. H. Beene. Phone 9015F2, Mexia, Route 2. 21L7

FOR RENT—Store building, good location, reasonable rent. For further information see W. D. Pittman, room 205 Pittman building. 14L14

FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633. 8L26

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FOR RENT—Three light housekeeping rooms at 509 East Carthage. See C. A. Samford at Peoples Variety Store. 28L3

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms suitable for man and wife or for bachelors, cheapest rent in Mexia considering location. See me quickly, it will go. J. P. Dunaway, 504 N. Kaufman street. 28L2

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FOR RENT—Five room cottage four blocks south of McKinney street school, just off McKinney street, east. See N. P. Houx at News office or phone 271-J. 28K4

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We charge 25c for all gasoline and tire service calls inside of the city limits; 50c per mile thereafter. A charge of 25c to everyone for taking off and putting on chains. Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Inc., Nos. One and Three Stations. 18-10

ROTARY DRILLING RIGS, boilers, engines, pumps, tanks, pipe and casing. Large stock, reduced prices. Inquiries solicited. Texas Supply Company, Houston, Texas. 28T7

POLL TAX PAYMENTS SLOW IN MEXIA

Pay your poll tax. Time is up Jan. 31st. Only one more month to go and this is election year.

Records at the office of the city secretary show 58 paid up. 38 of those were paid before Christmas.

There are approximately 1500 voters in and around Mexia, possibly a great many more. 58 is a very small per cent of 1500.

B. S. East of Coolidge was a visitor to the city Friday.

Rich Patronize Barber Colleges

FOR WORTH, Texas, Dec. 29.—Many persons, known to have comfortable fortunes and even a few bankers visit the "free parlor" at the local barber colleges regularly, owners say.

Not only are these wealthy persons regular customers but they make no bones about walking openly into the door of the college, it is said.

Side-by-side with them in the free chairs are many "down-and-outers" who come in regularly. Many of them show up daily for a shave and twice a week for a haircut.

The chairs of the advanced students where a price of fifteen cents is made for a haircut are always crowded. They are patronized for the most part by the middle class.

Most of the students are boys from the rural sections. Their first lesson is to shave a vinegar bottle on which they learn the proper mevements. The course takes about six weeks.

Chief Cook At Dallas Jail Dead

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 29.—Grief at the county jail from both inmates and officials is profound—"Dad" is dead.

W. L. Manker, who for two years and a half had cooked the meals for the prisoners and was affectionately known as "Dad" was stricken with appolexy last week and died without regaining consciousness.

Manker was arrested in 1912, for stealing a ride on a freight train. He couldn't pay his fine and was thrown into jail. Sheriff Harston, learning he was a good cook, remitted his fine and hired him on the spot.

For years "Dad" cooked aboard many tramp steamers and for a while in the navy. He had traveled the world over, visiting almost every country on the globe. He was born in Ireland.

The Passing Of Ranger Boom Days

RANGER, Texas, Dec. 29.—One of the last reminders of the oil boom in Ranger will soon be done away with.

Thirty six "boom day bungalows" are to be converted into garages, chicken houses and other outbuildings to boost real estate values.

The two room shacks, built at the height of the "flowing gold rush," brought $250 at that time and were snapped up.

Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Texas, County of Limestone.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dallas County, of the 14th, day of Dec. 1923, by The District Clerk of said Dallas County, for the sum of $1800.00 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Foreclosure and Deed of Trust Lien, in favor of in a certain cause in said court, No. 49016-? and styled Fidelity Savings Trust Company, versus Mrs. Della Box, the surviving wife of S. A. Box, deceased, Clarence Box, Alvie Box, Mable Box, Homer Box, Ruby Box, Herman Box, Branton Box, and Mrs. Della Box, Gurdian of the Estates of Clarence, Alvie, Mable, Homer, Ruby, Herman, and Branton Box, Minors.

The Plaintiff, Fidelity Savings Trust Company, recovered, in the District Court of Dallas County, 68th, Judicial District of Texas, a judgement against the said defendants, Della, Box, for the sum of $1800.00 principal, $424.80 interest and $222.48 attorney's fees, together with interest on $2224.80 principal and interest at the rate of 10% per annum and interest at the rate of 6% per annum on $222.48 attorney's fees from said November 13th, 1923.

And placed in my hands for service, I Whit Popejoy, Sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 17th, day of December, A. D., 1923, Levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being 103 acres of land in the Chas. Roberts survey, described in three tracts as follows:

FIRST TRACT: 42 acres of land described as beginning at the Southeast corner of lot No. 1, in the Adams-O'Neal subdivision of said Chas. Roberts League, in the North line of the 90 acre tract known as the Limestone County, Land; Thence North 30 West with the East line of said Lot No. 1, 700 varas to corner from which a post oak 12" in dia. brs. North 22½ East 10 varas; Thence North 60 East 338 varas to corner; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Northeast corner of said Limestone County 90 acre tract; Thence South 60 West along the North line of said 90 acre tract 338 varas to the place of beginning.

SECOND TRACT: 30 acres of land described as beginning at the Northeast corner of the R. O'Neal 200 acre homestead tract; Thence North 30 West with said O'Neal's line, 560 varas to corner; Thence North 60 East 127 varas to corner; Thence North 20 West with the O'Neal line to the Southwest corner of the M. R. Box 18 acre tract; Thence North 60 East to the Northwest corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Southwest corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 60 West 294 varas to the place of beginning.

Said two tracts of land above described being the same land conveyed by Ella Box to S. A. Box on January 12, 1920, by Deed duly recorded in the deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

THIRD TRACT: 31 acres of land known as part of the R. O'Neal homestead, beginning at the most Southern Northwest corner of the 30 acre tract of land described as tract No. 2 above, Thence South 30 East 585 varas to corner on the North line of the tract of land convenyed by Mrs. Abia Box and others to Mrs. Alice Stem, a rock for corner; Thence South 60 West 298 varas to corner; same being the Southeast corner of a 21 acre tract designated by S. A. Box and wife as a part of their homestead; Thence North 31 west 585 varas to the Northeast corner of said 21 acre tract; Thence North 60 East 298 varas to the place of beginning, being part of the land conveyed by M. B. Box, and wife to S. A. Box by deed recorded in Vol. 76, page 178 deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

Said three tracts of land being the same land described in the deed of Trust from S. A. Box and wife, Della Box to Chas. L. Kribs, Trustee, recorded in Vol. 7, page 493-7, deed of trust records of Limestone County, Texas: and levied upon as the property of Della Box, and all above named parties and that on the first Tuesday in Feb., 1924, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Della Box, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 17th, day of Dec., 1923.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff,
Limestone County Texas.
By N. P. Harris, Deputy.
Dec. 18-25 Jan. 2

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may proprely come before it.

Mexia, Texas, December 8th, 1923.
W. G. FORREST, Cashier.
(10-17-24-31-7)

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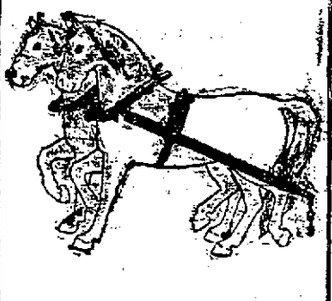
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EFFECTIVE 12:01 A. M. JUNE 17th.

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345 From cut-off ..... 1:47 p. m
15 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:44 p. m.
31 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 12:50 p. m.
37 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 5:14 a. m.
17 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 4:35 a. m.
19 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:55 a. m.

South bound—
346 To cut-off ..... 7:00 a. m
16 Houston San Antonio ..... 11:45 a. m.
32 From Dallas ..... 10:06 a. m.
38 Austin San nAtonio ..... 12:21 a. m.
18 Houston San Antonio ..... 1:37 a. m.
20 Houston San Antonio ..... 12:16 a. m.

T. & B. V.
North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.

South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

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Family Reunion at Bryan Christmas Attended by Relatives from Mexia

(From Bryan Eagle)

A merry family reunion was held at the home of A. E. Withers Christmas Day. Eighteen members of the family were represented at the Christmas feats. Those present were: Great grandmother, Mrs. L. A. Withers of Temple, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Hostetter and daughter, Dorothy of Mexia; Mr. and Mrs. M. R. (Dock) Withers of Waco, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Norton and daughter, Evelyn Marie of Waco, Texas; Miss Bess Withers, College Station, Texas; Manville H. Withers, Windell O. Withers, Billie Withers, R. T. Withers, A. E. Withers, Jr., and little Miss Lydia Dell Withers, all of Bryan, Texas.

Mrs. L. A. Withers (grandma) is in her seventy-eighth year, and her faculties are bright and her health good at this remarkable age. Grandma Withers is a native of Georgia and immigrated to the great State of Texas in the year 1873, and she is proud of the fact that she is the mother of six boys and one girl, and a great-grandmother of ten living grand-children and the grand-mother of 8 living grand children, a total of forty-eight grand children in all.

Her sons are: J. C. Withers of Hamilton, Texas; W. A. Withers, of Belton, Texas; A. E. Withers of Bryan, Texas; G. W. Withers of Weatherford, Texas; O. D. Withers of Beaumonth, Texas; F. D. Withers of Temple, Texas; and daughter Myrtle Llewellen of Temple, Texas.

The dining room and parlors were beautifully decorated with native moss, holly and mistletoe. After a bountiful turkey dinner was served at two tables the Christmas tree was removed from the parlor and dancing and games was indulged in by the members of the family and a few neighboring guests. At midnight coffee and cake was served to those of the family who departed on late trains, after a most happy Christmas Day spent with grandmother Withers.

Local News

S. O. Cress of Brother City was here last Friday.

J. R. Dulaney of Coolidge was in the city Saturday.

C. H. Stout of Eastland was in Mexia Friday.

E. Booth of Waco was a visitor to the city Friday.

R. M. Pasden of Ennis was in the city last Friday.

J. H. Marahturn of Austin spent Friday in Mexia.

Clyde Kay of Tehuacana was in the city Saturday also.

Frank Morrisal of Lake Charles was in the city last Friday.

H. Shelton of Waco was a business visitor Friday to Mexia.

Mrs. Emma Peeples, of Tehuacana was in the city Saturday.

M. M. Bounds of Corsicana was in Mexia during last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Rochelle are visiting this week in Marshall.

Roy Stokes of Shiloh was a visitor to the city Saturday.

Miss Lela Hardin of Corsicana was visiting in the city last Friday.

Euel Hall spent Christmas day with friends and relatives in Hillsboro.

Miss Jack Mullens is spending the week-end with relatives in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Elliott have returned from a visit to Longview.

Vernon Wood and Dick Bradley of Shiloh, were in the city Saturday.

Mrs. F. P. Huchingson has returned from a visit to the old home in Marlin.

Fred and F. E. Reynolds of Tehuacana were visitors to Mexia Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Purcell are the happy parents of twins. They are both girls.

J. A. Thompson, chief of police in Mexia went to Fort Worth Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Bon Hickman and daughter have returned from a visit to Fort Worth.

W. S. Banks has returned from Temple where he visited his mother during Christmas week.

Miss Radie Belle Whitely of Dallas is visiting Misses Eugene and Jack Mullens of this city.

C. F. Hostetter of the Humble Oil and Refining Company and family spent Christmas in Bryan.

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Maxwell have returned from a visit to Mrs. Maxwell's old home in Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sewel and son, Welch, are spending Sunday with relatives and friends in Mart.

Chas. W. Kennon is spending the week-end in Waco, visiting his wife, who is in the Baptist Sanitarium.

Dr. and Mrs. Biggs of Tehuacana were visitors Saturday. Dr. Biggs is president of Westminster College.

Miss Eddie Foster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Foster has returned from a visit to Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Sweatt have returned from Weatherford, where they spent part of the holidays with relatives.

Joe Unfried and Marshall Willis, of Tehuacana, were in Mexia Saturday. They went from Mexia to Groesbeck.

Miss Estelle Bauder returned to this city yesterday after spending several of the Christmas holidays at her home in Waxahachie.

Miss Eula Schulz, who is attending school in San Marcos, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Schulz.

Mr. and Mrs. Jere Cason have returned from San Antonio where they were the holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brown.

Mr. ad Mrs. Pete Carwthorn and Pete, Junior are spending the holidays very pleasantly in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sandford Smith.

Ben Stollenwerck and wife are in Sherman, according to messages received from him today. Mrs. Stollenwerck has relatives there whom they are visiting.

The Epworth League will hold its regular meeting at usual hour, 4:00 p. m. Sunday afternoon. Be sure and come and bring some one with you. —REPORTER.

Postmaster Newman reports that the amount of rainfall for November was 2.20 inches. The December precipitation has not yet been computed but will be on the first of January.

Walter Cook of Shiloh was in Mexia Saturday enroute to Groesbeck and told The News that some time in the near future there would be a test well drilled in his community.

Mrs. A. B. Moorer, one of the first women members of the board of aldermen in Charleston, S. C., never attended a political meeting till the recent campaign which led to her nomination and election.

Mrs. Lamar Campbell of Bunkie, La., and Miss Alice Stevens, who is attending State University, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stevens on East Hopkins street.

Judge and Mrs. Owen F. Watkins spent Christmas in Gatesville, where they visited relatives and friends. They made the trip in their car and according to Judge Watkins the roads were in very bad condition.

Mrs. J. L. Wright and three children of Denton and H. E. Wright of Fort Worth are visiting Mr. Wright's two brothers, L. E. and Howard Wright and father, J. A. Wright this week-end. Mrs. T. J. Moody of Fort Worth, who has been visiting the Wrights left for her home Saturday.

Judge G. A. Walters urges a large attendance at Sunday school Sunday morning. He is teacher for the Men's Bible Class at the First Methodist church and is anxious to close the old year with the largest attendance in the history of the class. A very helpful lesson is on the program, and Judge Walters is said to present on every occasion a splendid discourse on the subject of the day.

F. P. Huchingson, local agent for the H. & T. C. railroad, states that the road master, R. M. Purdue, intends raising the crossings at Commerce and Main with crushed rock covered with asphalt. This will relieve motorists and drivers of other vehicles of the troublesome bumping which attends the crossing of the rails at these points and make travel much easier. The crossing at Commerce has already been raised with the rock but Mr. Purdue intends to make it even better by adding the asphalt.

What Was Yours?

We believe Harry Comstock, of Texas, had the most terrible experience of any American during 1923. Harry climbed a hollow tree, fell down inside and couldn't get out. He was imprisoned, without food or water, for 10 days before a searching party rescued him. What was the worst experience you ever hay? How does it compare with Harry's living nightmare? —Cappers Weekly.

A Budding Financier

Clif Stratton's oldest boy has already developed financial ideas. The other day he and his little brother got a gift of candy. "Now," said the older boy, "you are 2 years old, so you get two candies, and I am 5 and I'll take five." The 2-year-old didn't understand it exactly, but having great confidence in his older brother he stood for it—once.—Cappers Weekly.

Undecided as to a gift for New Year? See the oil painting in window at John R. Corley.

615,000 WELLS DRILLED IN PAST 75 YEARS

According to a compilation just completed, 615,000 wells have been drilled for oil and gas in the United States since the beginning of the industry in 1859. Were all the derricks represented by these wells standing at the present time, they would comprise a veritable Black Forest of timber and steel. The investment in material and labor going into these wells runs into billions of dollars of capital privately invested.

Of the oil wells completed some produced a million or several million barrels each. Some produced only a few barrels and were scarcely more profitable than dry holes. Some produced for years, some for months, some for weeks, some for a few days and some for only a few hours. Some blew in as great gushers and were "flowing" wells. Some were "pumpers" without any gas or other pressure to create a flow. Some had to be "shot" with dynamite before they would produce at all. Some were mere "showings" and yielded oil only by means of artificial stimulation. Some of the great gushers flowed only for brief periods and became meek "pumpers."

Great U. S. Field Development.

The leadership of the United States in pertoleum is not told by a mere comparison of production statistics which reveals that it is producing 64 per cent of the world's oil, unless thought is given to the relative magnitude of the field work necessary to achieve this production. America has about 280,000 producing oil wells at the present time. Few foreign countries have 1,000 producing wells each. The average of production of all the wells in the United States is less than five barrels a day.

Mexico developed a production one-third as great as that of the United States with less than 500 producing wells.

Fourteen Thousand Producers

According to latest reports there are about fourteen thousand producers of oil in the United States, consisting of individuals, partnerships and companies. Among these are many legitimate "wildcatters" who discover new pools in unproven territory, not in the haphazard way of the old days but in scientific operation and well planned, but expensive, development campaigns

The records show that persons or companies seeking production are at present drilling 5,700 wells. In 1922 they completed 24,000 wells, involving an expenditure of over half a billion dollars.

Drilling of Oil Wells.

There are two principal ways of drilling an oil well in the United States. The one most generally used is the cable tool method and the other is the rotary method. In both cases a derrick is first built, usually of wood but sometimes of steel, and by means of an engine operated either by steam, gas or electricity a bit is made to drill into the earth.

In the case of the cable tool method the bit used weighs anywhere from 150 pounds to a ton and the larger bits standing upright dwarf a man. The bit is lowered and raised by means of a rope or steel cable and pounds steadily through the hardest rock formation with a slightly twisting motion

The rotary method may be compared to an auger. It is forced into the ground with a revolving motion, and its stem is increased in length as drilling progresses until the well is completed. The rotary is more widely used in drilling through soft formations. Often a combination of both methods is used.

As a well is drilled it is cased off with pipe of different diameter, the larger pipe at the top and smaller pipe as the depth increases. This is to protect the well from caving and from intrusion of water. When a well is completed it is a cone shaped, steel lined hole going on an average over half a mile into the ground.

Mining Process of Old Days.

In the early stages of its development oil production was a mining process. Drilling or boring for oil as at present was not attempted.

In many countries oil seepages existed or oil laden sands were found at comparatively shallow depths and as uses of petroleum began to be recognized natives undertook the mining of oil in a local and primitive way.

In the Carpathian fields of Galicia (now part of Poland) and Roumania it has only been in the last thirty or forty years that drilling has superseded digging. Oil was produced in these countries as early as 1750 and 1810 but a real footing for petroleum as an article of commerce was not obtained until after 1850.

Oil operations were undertaken in the Pechelbroun district of Alsace, France, in 1785 and until 1870 "bituminous sand" was systematically mined by shaft and gallery. In 1881 boring was introduced and the primitive mining process was finally abandoned in 1888.

Baku, now part of Russia, was producing commercial oil early in the 19th century under primitive mining methods and it was not until after 1872 that a more scientific method of producing was evolved.

Japan derived oil from natural exposures and dug wells centuries ago but the modern development of its oil industry dates from 1859 when drilling for oil began.

Introduction of Drilling.

It was left for Colonel E. L. Drake at Titusville, Pa., in 1859 to adopt the expedient of driving an iron tube thru the quicksands and clay to the oil rock and thus to introduce the new method of drilling that has made possible oil development on a large quantitative scale.

The United States has led in modernizing oil field operations, and American methods are being adopted in all recently discovered fields and are supplanting antiquated methods in such countries as Roumania, Galicia and Russia. The American oil man has led the world in methods and service. It is one of the achievements that has helped to make America commercially great.

OVER 25,000 INDIANS IN IN TEXAS IN 1856

It is interesting to note in these days of rapid transit in Texas over improved highways via the Packard Twin Six and other high-powered automobiles that the vast domain now so easily negotiated in a matter of hours instead of days, was, less than 70 years ago, the home of over 25,000 Indians, representing fourteen different tribes; a virgin land that knew no mode of transportation other than via horseback, the ox team and wagon train; a land in portions of which the buffalo and other wild animal life, now almost extinct roamed in large numbers.

The Gonzales Inquirer of February 23, 1856, gives the total Indian population of Texas at that time as 25,000, basing the figures on returns from the Texas Indian Agencies and figures on file at the Indian Bureau in Washington. Of this number, there were 20,000 Comanches and Kiowas, the other tribes being much smaller, with the exception of the Apaches. The account says:

"Most of the powerful tribes are so far from the settlements as to give no trouble. It is the small and broken bands who furnish most of the marauders."

If your husband is a lover of bird hunting, surprise him New Year with a gift of the painting "On the Scent." See it in window at John R. Corley.

AUSTIN, Dec. 29.—Pete Welk, convicted murderer in connection with the killing of Willis Champion jailer at Dallas jail during an attempted jail delivery last September and sentenced to death, filed an appeal in the Criminal Court of Appeals.

Not Exactly.

"Were you tryin' to get me?" asked the sweet voiced Hello Girlie, breaking in on a busy line. "No," replied a sad-toned masculine voice. "No! I already have a wife of my own!"—Cappers Weekly.

Eighty per cent of Oregon farmers have telephones.

Home Hints

The Weekly Bath

Give the broom a bath in boiling suds once a week to toughen the bristles and make it last longer.

Decide at Home

Make your decisions as to future meals before going to market. Then you will order a balanced dinner and not a collection of inharmonious eatables.

Sending Flowers

Use a tin or wooden box when mailing flowers. Line the box with tissue paper, fill with blooms, avoiding any pressure on them. Sprinkle flowers with water, cover with oiled paper and adjust the lid.

Let Him Eat

Watch the weight of the growing boy and unless he is putting on too many pounds he should be allowed all the bread, butter, milk and fruit he wants, even if it is between meals Providing, of course, that this does not interfere with his eating at meals. There is no appetite that can quite equal that of a healthy, growing boy.

At the Embroidery Counter

When buying linen for embroidery it is wise to buy a full yard, even if a centerpiece is all we require at the time. The corners and left over linen comes in mighty handy for dainty doilies that may be embroidered or a crocheted edge put around them and given away at Christmas time to people whom we remember with just a small gift.

Too Late to Classify

FOR RENT—Two and three room apartments, gas, lights and water. All modern conveniences. 207 South Red River street. Phone 667-W. 30L7

FOR RENT—Completely furnished apartment, lights, water, gas stove, sink in kitchen. Close in and convenient. Three blocks South City Hall. 305 East Hunt. Just off McKinney. 30L1

FOR RENT—Completely furnished 7 room house with bath; double garage, lights, water and gas. Phone 319-W. 30K14

FOR RENT—Three room house. 422 N. Canton. Water and lights. See Roy G. Purcell at P. O. 30L3

WANTED: Obstetrical cases by experienced nurse. Terms reasonable. Phone 557-J. 30A30

FOR RENT—Furnsihed cottage, modern, paved st., close in. Phone 557J. 406 E. Carthage. 30K1

February Style and Fashions Magazines arriving daily. Pioneer News Stand. 30-1

WANTED—Obstetrical cases by experienced nurse. Phone 557-J. 30B28

FOR RENT—Half of Modern new Duplex house. With double garage. Prefer permanent tenants. See C. C. Yowell, Sunday morning. Across street from New Way Laundry. 30L1

THE HURRY BOYS

State Press in Dallas News

Mexia News: A copper mining company of Sweden, which has just celebrated its seven hundredth anniversary is believed to be the oldest established industrial concern in the world. The company was founded during the first half of the thirteenth century, and has continued ever since to play an important part in the economic life of Sweden.

The seven-hundred-year-old copper mine evidently has been owned by individuals who didn't want to take all the metal out at once. Most miners, as well as oil diggers, can't bear to think of leaving any of the precious commodity in the ground for future generations. Their idea is to hurry up and get all there is, whether it be gold, copper or petroleum. Let the next generation go hang is the motto of the hurry-up developers. Some farmers are that way, too. They believe in getting all the soil has got and letting the next man look out for himself. As was noted in this column lately, a French family has farmed the same piece of ground for more than a thousand years, father handing down the homestead to son or daughter through half a score of centuries. Supposing the first old Frenchman had worn out the farm, he might have died and never known the difference. But he knew the difference before he died, as have his son-successors down the line. That knowledge has added something to the quality of their contentment. So it is with any one who endeavors sincerely to reward later comers as well as himself. He leaves the world better for having builded rather than destroyed, for having conserved rather than wasted. The reason why there are still as big fish in the sea as were ever caught out is because it has been impossible for greedy fishermen to impoverish the ocean with fishing machines.

Miss Dorothy Parker left on the noon train Saturday to attend a dance given that night at the Dallas Country Club by Misses Alice Reynolds and Mary McLarry, also to attend a tea given by Miss Levla Blackwell. The young ladies are classmates at Ward-Belmont, Nashville, Tenn.

New Year Greetings

Ever and at all times we are appreciative of courtesies shown us, but it is at this season we pause and try to think of all the kindness shown us during the year, and in so doing, it is you of whom we think—our friends. It is our friends who have made possible our success in business and happy social hours. And to our friends we wish for the year 1924 plenty and happiness.

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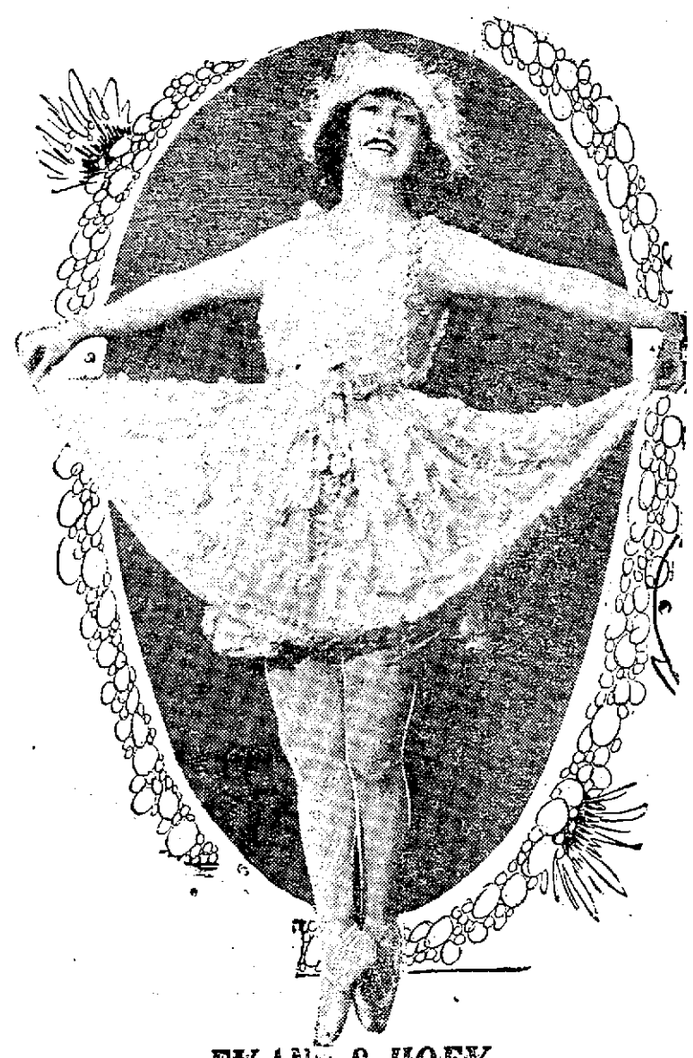

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